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Old-Growth Forests Hanging On

Marion Natural History Museum

By Marilou Newell

What is an old-growth forest? As the question implies, it is an old forest with trees of great age. But where does one begin the old-growth clock? What clues lie on forest floors and in wispy treetop canopies? These topics and others related to old forests were discussed on March 31 when Dr. David Orwig, senior ecologist and forest ecologist at the Harvard Forest located in Petersham, gave a presentation hosted by the Marion Natural History Museum.

Orwig's work has taken him deep into Massachusetts' few remaining old-growth forests, including the Harvard Forest, Bish Bash, Wachusett and Mount Greylock. He said most older forests in our region are around 65 to 95-years old with the average being 80 to 85 years of age. Studies have shown that once colonial settlements took hold, virgin forests began to fall. By the early 1800s, 40% of forests in Massachusetts had been felled. Human impact has been profound, and still Massachusetts ranks 11th in the nation for woodlands with some 3,200,000 acres. Orwig said most of that acreage is either in private ownership or in conserved holdings.

Aging a forest requires a bit of detective work. Orwig said that the biggest tree isn't necessarily the oldest tree. "We look at the condition of the canopy, the characteristics of the bark" and the scientists taking borings, he said.

Tattered canopy cover is an indication of age. This clue tells how a tree has been tossed and turned in storms over the ages. Many tree species mature into righteous elders with thick, pleated bark where once-smooth surfaces faced the sun. Orwig said these pleats or bark

plates slough off the trees' surfaces, adding to the rich organic material that feeds the soils.

"The forest is not a static environment," he said.

The main physical clues when dating an area therefore are imperfect tree canopies, old root pits created by dead, falling trees that eventually become pits, and then mounds of organic material covered in bryophytes (moss.) Also, the absence of stonewalls and sawn tree stumps, a lack of human interference, can mean a forest is truly ancient.

Orwig noted that old-growth forests have been found on steep terrain of primarily hemlock trees. A stunning 90% of old-growth forests in Massachusetts are populated with hemlock. The reason this is the case, he explained, is the trees' ability to survive in shady spaces. Other species found to a much lesser degree in these areas are Sugar Maple, Red Spruce, Yellow Birch and Ash.

Of those old-growth forests remaining in the state, Orwig said many people are surprised to learn that the Mount Wachusett area contains one. Known for its ski trails and other winter outdoor recreational activities, Wachusett Mountain resort's trails are lined

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On the Cover: Springtime weather in southeastern Massachusetts as usual has been a mixed bag, but on Monday these blooming Daffodils in front of the Marion Town House signaled the change of seasons. Almanac.com says that these fall perennials should be planted before the first freeze and that while they prosper in direct sunlight, they will grow in some measure of shade provided the ground is not too wet. For that reason, effective drainage is essential, be it in a pot or on the side of a hill.

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with guardians from the past. Established in 1899, it is the second oldest state reservation in Massachusetts, he said. Of special note, Wachusett contains a tree that has been dated to 1670 – a Northern Red Oak.

Beyond the beauty we mere mortals receive from forests, there are also the scientific realities. Forests are part of what makes our earth inhabitable. The production of oxygen from carbon makes trees a main contributing factor to the survival of humankind. The trees store carbon, which helps to cool the earth's surface, and they are a main contributor to the biodiversity so critical to all life on our blue planet.

Hemlocks reign supreme over old-growth landscapes because they have lacked the commercial value placed on other species such as white pine.

"You won't find many white pine in old-growth forests," Orwig commented. And so that which humans have ignored ends up being the winner. "Hemlocks as old as 500 years have been found."

Other tough old trees living long lives are Spruce at 400, Black Birch at 300, and Red and Yellow Oaks at 350 and up. But the oldest of all is the Tupelo tree or Black Gum, clocking in at over 555 years of age.

Like every story from the natural world, there seems to be a dark cloud. Such is the case for old-growth forests. Insects are quickly spreading throughout some old-growth spans, threatening these sentinels from the past. Orwig said ongoing study in how best to protect what remains includes looking at bio-control agents, enemies of the Emerald Borer and other invasive beetles. Their introduction may just make the difference.

Time is of the essence; there remains a mere .02% of all forests that can be classified as old growth.

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The Marsupial Opossum

By George B. Emmons

The Opossum is the only marsupial species on the North American continent where the young are born prematurely and subsequently brought to life in their mother's pouch. She proceeds to wean them until they

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are old enough to be on their own. The Opossum is also the only mammal with a prehensile tail that can be used for grasping things like a human hand. Young Opossums sometimes hang by their tails, but when they are grown up, they are too heavy for hanging.

As in my illustration, the Opossum is the only mammal that has four fingers that are opposable on each of the hind feet that works like a human thumb to make it possible to pick up things like hands much better than other animals. The



Opossum grows up to be as big as a full-grown cat that resembles a silver-colored rat with its naked ears and silver-colored fur coat. Their faces are almost pure white

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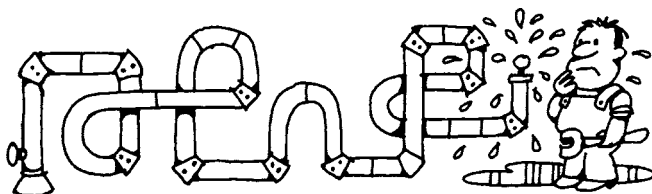
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with four whiskers and a pink nose. The eyes look like two black shoe buttons.

The average adult grows to be about 24 to 26 inches long, including the tail, and usually weighs 6 to 12 pounds. It is usually a passive animal but can look ferocious when it displays all 50 teeth, while drooling and hissing at any person near it. They are also normally nocturnal by habit but can be comfortable in daylight when searching for food. Their ideal habitat for feeding is either woodland or farmland or even suburban neighborhoods with water nearby.

Their diet is omnivorous in the country or city by eating whatever they can catch including rats, mice, moles, slugs, snails, shrews, worms, beetles, ants, grasshoppers, crickets, frogs, garbage, fruit, corn, berries and even anything that looks like roadkill bodies. Their own roadkill during the darkness adds up to thousands of casualty deaths per year in even a small neighborhood. Any Opossum, when it sees roadkill during the night, tends to freeze in the headlights of an automobile.

Perhaps the most intriguing weakness is the sudden ability to play dead when they feel they are in danger. They quickly sink to the ground while their eyes gloss over, baring their teeth and lolling their tongue out of their mouth to one side. They rarely cause problems for people but often frighten almost anyone by appearing suddenly dead. They are more beneficial as scavengers than for any damage they might possibly do. A neighborhood with Opossums tends to be peaceful and safer than one without them.

ORR Artist Earns Rare Recognition

By Jeffrey D. Wagner

He's not even a high school graduate, but Old Regional Rochester senior Joseph "Jed" Dupree is being mentioned in the same sentence as Stephen King, Andy Warhol and Sylvia Plath.

Dupree, an artist since Kindergarten, submitted paintings to the prestigious Scholastic Art Awards at Tufts University. Two of his paintings received top honors — the Gold Key Award. There were more than 7,000 entries, but only 5% received the Gold Key honor, according to a

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Dupree said when his dad first showed him a comic book in Kindergarten, he began drawing Daredevil pictures and found his passion for art shortly thereafter. By Grade 6, Dupree had begun working with private art tutor Andy Anderson. One of Dupree's pieces was created at Anderson's studio.

The first, a painting of a ribcage, was made in teacher Kate Butler's Advanced Placement Art class. The other, an oil painting of a sickle hanging above a goat, was made in Anderson's studio.

Both Dupree and Butler were thinking of entering the Emerging Artists contest, but they chose the more prestigious Scholastic Art Awards, which honor creative

teens — including King, Warhol, Plath and Truman Capote when they were in high school.

Dupree and Butler talked about this rare honor.

"It was a treat to have him as a student in class and see him grow as an artist and creative thinker," said Butler, who described Dupree's achievement as a David and Goliath type battle.

Dupree comes from a small school district with a small art department. Some school art departments, especially in Boston and surrounding suburbs, are bigger and draw more funding. Butler, who lives in the Tri-Town area, has known Jed for many years before he entered high school.

Butler and Dupree were recently interviewed together, and Dupree remained humble about the honor. He raved about his peers, all members of an advanced art class that requires prerequisite work before entry. He touched upon how he still wants to grow as an artist and how his art can be formulated within this digital and computer age.

"I want to get better at that (computer art) and market my work through the digital age I'm in and maybe learn some graphic design," he said.

Dupree plans to attend the MASS College of Art in the fall.



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Races Set for 2023 Elections

By Mick Colageo

The ideological divide that permeates social media and national politics has intensified election season



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In Rochester, Joe Pires, whose term on the Old Rochester Regional School Committee is up this year, is running for reelection against challenger James O'Brien, who unsuccessfully ran for a school committee seat last year. Anne Fernandes' and Katherine Duggan's terms are up on the Rochester School Committee. Both are running for reelection against challengers David Sylvia, Sydney Teixeira and Gregory Hardy.

David Pierre is running against Mattapoissett School Committee Chairperson Carly Lavin for her seat on the committee. Pierre had pulled papers to run against incumbent Frances-Feliz Kearns for her seat on the ORR

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School Committee but withdrew that candidacy. Kearns still faces the challenge of Richard Reilly for the ORR seat.

In Marion, incumbents Mary Beauregard and Nichole Nye McGaffey are running for reelection to the Marion School Committee against challenger Mirian Nawoichik, and Margaret McSweeney is running for reelection to the ORR School Committee against challenger Jennifer Marie-Zora Stewart.

There are Select Board seats up for grabs in the Tri-Towns.

In Mattapoisett, Brian Connelly is running against incumbent Tyler Mcallister for the latter's Select Board seat. Brad Hathaway pulled out of the race on Monday, and Catherine Heuberger, who also pulled nomination papers for the seat, did not return them but is running unopposed to retain her seat as town clerk.

Adam Murphy, who lost by one vote last year to incumbent Brad Morse, is running again for Rochester Select Board, this time against incumbent Woody Hartley, the current chairman. Murphy also ran unsuccessfully against Hartley in 2020.

Marion Planning Board Chairman Norm Hills is retiring from his seat on that board but is running for reelection to the Marion Select Board. Hills has no declared opponent for his Select Board seat.

Elsewhere in Mattapoisett, Arlene Fidalgo is not seeking reelection to the Planning Board, opening the door for William Wennerberg as the lone declared candidate for her seat.

Ruth Oliver Jolliffe is seeking reelection to the Trustees of the Mattapoisett Public Library, while fellow incumbent Jennifer Russell is not. With two open seats, Jolliffe faces challenges from Paul Criscoulo and William Coquillette.

In addition to Heuberger (town clerk), Carmelo Nicolosi is running unopposed to retain his seat on the Mattapoisett Board of Health, while Raymond Andrews is unopposed in his bid for reelection to the Board of Assessors, John Vaughn likewise with the Housing Authority, and also Michelle Hughes and Chuck McCullough for their seats on the Community Preservation Act Committee.

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In Rochester, Ben Bailey and John DeMaggio are running for reelection to the Planning Board against the challenge of Dennis McCarthy.

Marjorie Barrows is running to replace Paul Dawson, who is retiring from his post as Rochester's town clerk, and Frederick Underhill is running unopposed to remain on the Water Commission. Others running unopposed are: William David Watling (Herring inspector), Suzanne Szyndlar (Assessors), Dale Barrows (Board of Health) and Beatrice Renauld (tax collector.)

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In Marion, Chris Collings' and Eileen Marum's Planning Board terms are expiring in synch with Hills' term. While Marum is seeking reelection, Collings is not, leaving two open seats for challengers William Dale Jones and Ryan Burke.

The following Marion incumbents are running to retain their seats unopposed: Assessors Patricia DeCosta and Peter Winters (appointee) and Board of Health member Albin Johnson (appointee.) Johnson is a founder of the Marion Board of Health.

Amanda Chace is not seeking reelection to Marion's Open Space Acquisition Commission, leaving the commission with a vacancy.

Town Meeting Warrant Closed

Marion Select Board

By Mick Colageo

The Marion Select Board voted during Monday night's public meeting to approve the Warrant for the May 8 Annual Town Meeting.

Hearing mainly from Finance Director Judy Mooney and also from Town Administrator Geoff Gorman, the board reviewed the Warrant with a focus on financial articles. Gorman explained that the town decided to pull the Codification Committee-authored articles based on Select Board approval.

Estimated revenues for Fiscal Year 2024 are \$21,353,967 (compared to \$20,711,514 in FY23.) Mooney told the Select Board that Marion is top heavy on the tax levy with almost 80% of the town's operating budget funded via the tax budget.

Adding \$533,849 via Proposition 2-1/2 and \$100,000 in new growth, the FY24 Tax Levy is \$21,722,816 (79% of the budget.) State aid, Mooney said, comes in at \$1,406,414 (5%.) With local receipts at \$1,951,255 (7%), Marion plans to raise and appropriate \$26,000,722 in FY24. Transfers including local receipts such as revenue from excise taxes (\$1,184,305), "free cash" (\$329,893) and debt exclusion (\$871,952) account for a total General Fund revenue of \$27,516,635 in a level-services budget.

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Mooney said Marion is trying to get away from dipping into the free-cash account.

Mooney reported that "a little bit" of debt remains on the Police Station and the schools. The fire truck is almost paid off in an amount (\$665,298 counting interest) that takes the new DPW building into account.

While the General Fund budget is up 4.6% from FY23, the \$2,444,655 Water budget represents a 2.98% increase, and the \$3,620,404 Sewer budget represents a 2.79% increase over FY23.

All of Marion's unions are up for negotiation next year.

While elected officials have been level-funded for FY24, other increases can be traced to a \$159,400 salary for the town administrator, supplies, support and software for the Assessors, an "uptick" in the treasurer's billing work, professional development for the town clerk, town planner and members of the Planning Board.

A \$141,042 increase in the FY24 Police budget reflects the new student-resource officer being budgeted for Sippican School. In the 2022-23 academic year, the town has been running a PILOT program.

"What they're doing right now is the police officer that's over there doing their reports over there. This SRO is a true SRO," said Mooney.

Cruisers purchased by the Police Department are lasting a little longer, according to Mooney.

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18%, some of which is due to putting five students into Upper Cape Tech next school year as opposed to just one this year.

The Select Board praised the work that Facilities Director Shaun Cormier has done with the \$50,000 allotted him for in-house work. Mooney speculated that Cormier might even have \$2,000 remaining in FY23 funds.

For the second year, all proposed Capital Improvements Planning Committee-related project will be contained in one article. One item has seen a sharp increase: the police-security camera upgrade originally priced at \$13,000 is now estimated to cost \$27,000.

Like the \$1,200,000 for the ladder truck, Mooney explained that, "All of these (projects) will be funded through the free cash, (but) ... we are not utilizing all of our free cash. ... It's going to get harder down the road."

Town Administrator Geoff Gorman credited Mooney for managing a budget that allows paying \$1,000 into OPEB.

Marion has three different stabilization funds: its regular fund at \$3,000,000, a schools fund at \$355,796 and a capital fund at \$227,603. The town's policy is to maintain 10% in the budget. Right now those total to 13%.

No. 28, the final article of the Warrant, would give every adjudicatory board in Marion the authority to use the Mullin Rule, which allows voting members to miss one public hearing and still vote. Previously, only the Zoning Board of Appeals could invoke the Mullin Rule.

In other business, the board approved collection on new, opioid-related settlements with Teva, Allergan, Walgreens, Walmart, and CVS and authorized Gorman to handle the paperwork. To date, Marion has received \$30,000 in prior settlements from Jansen and distributors.

The board approved a two-week permit for Sheila Mitchell to house visitors in a 39-foot motor home at her 507 Delano Road residence.

Since the DPW verified a burst pipe on the property, the board approved a Water/Sewer Abatement request for \$16,640.87 at 120 Bullivant Farm Road. The board also approved a Water/Sewer commitment of \$11,031 for new water and sewer service effective March 23.

William Washburn and his son Chris Washburn presented two historic items to the board, one a board listing the life members of VFW Post 2425, the other a memorial of Boy Scouts who served in World War II.

The elder Washburn explained that the family business Washburn Electric is in the process of being sold and that the items belong to the town but only wound up in his workplace for safe keeping.

"They've probably been in every building in town and booted out of every building in town," said William Washburn, who hopes the board can find a proper place for each item.

After discussion, the board agreed to table an approval of the American Tower contract renewal.

During his report, Gorman said that the "Pre-

Town Meeting" meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 2, at 6:45 pm at the Music Hall, preceded by the regular public meeting of the Select Board at 6:00 pm. The Annual Town Meeting will be held on Monday, May 8, at 6:45 pm inside Sippican School's Multipurpose Room.

The next meeting of the Marion Select Board is scheduled for Wednesday, April 19, at 6:00 pm.

Dangerous Dog on Probation

Rochester Select Board

By Michael J. DeCicco

The Rochester Select Board Monday night conducted a dangerous-dog hearing based on a charge by police that the 12-year-old American Pit Bull Nomad owned by John McCusker of 105 Robinson Road has been used as a weapon to threaten town law enforcement officers.

In the end, the board concluded the animal's actions just warranted six month's probation. But before that happened, Rochester Police officers, including Chief Robert Small, filled one side of the meeting room as the Select Board heard testimony that Nomad bit Officer Brendan Emberg when he attempted to enter McCusker's home on July 8, 2021, to investigate a report that edibles were being consumed where there was a child. The encounter sent Emberg to Tobey Hospital with an elbow injury.

In another incident, on February 11, 2023, Officer

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Scott Smith said he was threatened with an attack from Nomad when Smith tried to stop McCusker's wife in a motor-vehicle stop near their home and approached the front door.

McCusker's spouse had refused to stop and entered the home. McCusker called on Nomad to stop Smith from entering the house. Small said McCusker's wife was being pulled over for driving without a license.

"She refused and pulled into the driveway," Small said. "They then used the dog as a weapon against an officer. If it were any other weapon, you would take it away. We request this dog be deemed dangerous and be restrained."

McCusker responded that no one was in the house at the time of officer Emberg's entry in July 2021. "I was away fishing," McCusker said. "He went into my house. And this was his (Nomad's) domain. So he protected it."

McCusker noted that in other cases when there's a warrant, he puts the dog away. When there's no warrant, he does not.

Select Board Chairman Woody Hartley said this is a difficult decision. It is not really the dog that's the problem, he said. It is the owner. It is what he does.

Attorney Michael Kennefick of Town Counsel Mead, Talerman & Costa said he's seen no other case like this one, where the dog is accused of being weaponized. He told the board it had the option of deeming the dog a danger or simply a nuisance. Then the board may decide what remedy to impose as a result of its decision.

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The board chose to deem Nomad dangerous and declared that the dog be restrained and confined to the owner's control and property. But it also approved revisiting the case in six months to give McCusker time to keep Nomad in check. McCusker agreed that all of this was doable.

"I'm happy the board deemed the dog dangerous," Small said after the vote. "And six months gives us time to see if there will be a next time."

Next, the Select Board approved a new, nine-member Hazardous Mitigation Plan Committee. Town Planner Nancy Durfee explained the need for such a panel by noting the town is receiving federal funding to create a local plan to prepare for natural disasters.

The committee that will prepare this plan will be Durfee, Small, Selectman Paul Ciaburri, Fire Chief Scott Weigel, Highway Superintendent Jeff Eldridge, Facilities Manager Andrew Daniel, Building Commissioner Paul Boucher, citizen Sean Morrison (owner of a local daycare center) and a second citizen member who has yet to confirm her interest.

The board then voted to place on the Town Meeting Warrant an article that would rescind the 2018 Special Town Meeting approval adopting the STRETCH energy code.

Hartley said he agreed to place this article on the warrant but feels it might be premature. He said the town does not have all the information it needs to decide

if building new municipal facilities without STRETCH Code requirements will be less expensive than construction under the codes.

"I am not decided on this issue," Hartley said. "I hope people will come to Town Meeting educated."

The chance for that education will be Monday, April 10, when a presentation on STRETCH Code regulations will be held at the Rochester Council on Aging, 67 Dexter Lane, at 7:00 pm, Town Administrator Glenn Cannon said.

The Rochester Select Board will meet next on Tuesday, April 18, at 6:00 pm, at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

Sewer Expansion Carries Sticker Shock

Mattapoisett Sewer Department

By Marilou Newell

Residents of the Peases Point and Hollywoods Road neighborhood were invited to a public presentation hosted by the Mattapoisett Sewer Department on March 29 to learn about possible sewer expansion into the beach community.

What they received was a shocking revelation, as construction estimates were high above expectations by thousands of dollars - \$75,000 per home before interest. Total estimate: \$7,500,000.

Water and Sewer Superintendent Henri Renauld introduced lead engineer Ian Meade of Tighe and Bond, who gave the audience of about 50 people specific information on methods and placement of equipment and piping for the sewer expansion that would service 104 residences. They were told that a new pump station would need to be located near the Second Street area, that piping would be placed in the public right-of-way and be primarily gravity fed with grinder pumps needed for Euclid Avenue and Bay Shore Drive due to their elevation.

Renauld went over the construction sequencing, noting that any damages to landscaping or structures would be covered by the contractor's insurance policies and that after the installation of three miles of piping, the extension would be retrofitted to an existing sewer line installed across beach areas and previously prepared for this new sewer expansion.

About midway through the presentation, the cost estimates were disclosed. Meade said that residents would pay \$75,000 and up to \$95,000 with interest payments over 20 years. There was a bit of stunned silence in the Fire Station training room.

Renauld explained that he had only very recently learned of the cost estimates and said that had he known earlier, he might not have held the public-information meeting. He estimated that each homeowner would pay \$4,786 per year.

The reality of the expansion costs pivoted the discussion away from expansion to whether or not it is more prudent to tie into the municipal system or install a new, denitrification septic system acceptable to new Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection



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requirements being rolled out to coastal communities in the commonwealth and soon to become a state regulation (estimated implementation: Summer 2023.)

Renauld said that it was unclear if denitrification systems now available would meet the updated DEP standards and that those systems came in around \$45,000 before adding in maintenance and other costs such as electrical usage. All attendees seemed somewhat overwhelmed at the price tag. He further stated that there are only two companies in the commonwealth that are currently licensed to sell denitrification systems.

Dan Chase, chairman and longtime member of the Water and Sewer Commission, said, "[costs] were half this much two years ago ... we were unhappy." He went on to say, "We've never seen prices like this." Renauld stated, "If we knew it was going to come in this high, we may not have had this meeting."

Regarding next steps, the group was told that postcards designed to gauge public interest have been mailed to them. Renauld said that two-thirds or 69 homeowners would need to agree to the expansion before it could be brought to Town Meeting.

Renauld reminded the residents that the plan had always been to expand the Peases Point sewer line recently installed across the barrier beach into the neighborhood, as residents were interested in tying-in at that time. "You asked us for this project, the majority was for it," he said.

A few voices rose, saying that these costs would force people out of their homes. Chase responded gravely, "There's always people that are burdened."

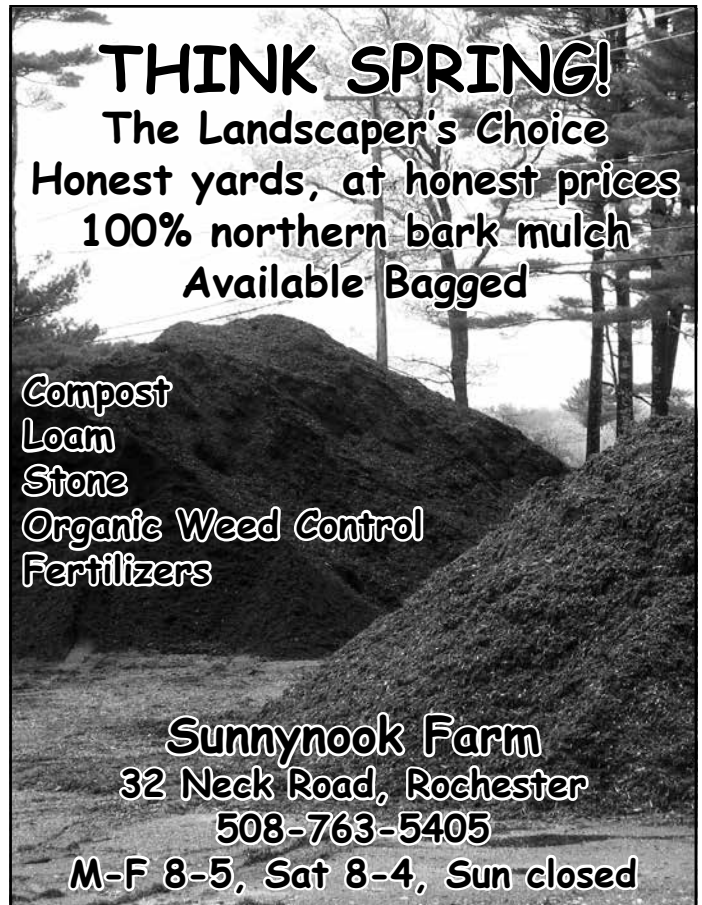
One resident asked, "What happens if we wait 'till this is forced on us?" Renauld said, "We have a pipe waiting for you; if five years from now you want it, contact us." But all were reminded that escalating costs needed to be weighed into their decision.

Affordable-Housing Debate Intensifies

Marion Planning Board

By Mick Colageo

There is fundamental disagreement among the members of the Marion Planning Board on the merits of



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town's Inclusionary Housing Zoning Bylaw (230-8.12), and the airing of those views extended Monday night's public meeting at the Police Station to nearly two and a half hours.

More than half the meeting had already been dedicated to the Public Hearing for the Zoning bylaw changes that will ultimately appear on the 2023 Annual Town Meeting Warrant, pursuant to Massachusetts General Law Chapter 40A, Section 5 and the town's General Bylaws.

Though the Public Hearing was a necessarily tedious exercise involving meticulous attention padded by time for community input, the subsequent discussion on the existing Inclusionary Housing Zoning Bylaw

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focused an intense debate on one subject.

Planning Board member Jon Henry had introduced the subject for a relatively brief discussion on March 20, and Chairman Norm Hills saw fit to put the item on the April 3 agenda. At the last meeting, Hills sat back and heard each member's take on the controversial bylaw, giving his viewpoint at the end. On Monday night, he went first.

Handing out a page-plus of prepared comments, Hills read his synopsis of the bylaw, summarizing its background, pertinent issues and finally, his conclusions.

Citing the fact the town has only "conditionally" exceeded the state's 10% Subsidized Housing Inventory requirement (via Ken Steen's 120-unit, rental project to be built off Route 6) and what he sees as a continuing need for affordable housing, Hills strongly recommended Marion keeping the Inclusionary Housing Zoning Bylaw in place.

The Marion bylaw approved by voters in 2003 requires any residential project of six or more units to include specified, subsidized-housing units to achieve compliance with Massachusetts General Law 40B.

"We need to take care of the elderly who have been the backbone of this town. ... Anything else is just segregating the economic pattern in the town," said Planning Board member Eileen Marum, citing an underlying ideological issue.

Marum asserted that the affordable-housing

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problem stems from public policies that discriminate against minorities, women and single parents. She cited Residence C and D zoning allowing one house on 2 acres of land. "Marion right now is in violation of this law. It has exclusionary zoning," she said.

Marum figures that 10 houses or town houses or condominiums would go a long way toward addressing the housing shortage. She cited recent words from Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll stating that Massachusetts needs 200,000 family units. "It needs to be focused on affordable housing because these people have been segregated," said Marum.

Citing support for senior citizens in town, board member Alanna Nelson strongly threw her support behind an ongoing drive to build more rather than less affordable housing in Marion.

Nelson supported Hills' contention that the Inclusionary Housing Zoning Bylaw remain in place and repeatedly suggested that the town's think tank go to work beyond the bylaw debate on new ideas to create housing solutions.

On the opposite side of the argument were Henry and fellow board member Andrew Daniel, who supported local developer Sherman Briggs' long-held assertion that the Inclusionary Housing Zoning Bylaw de-incentivizes the construction of market-rate housing that they insist is vital to the town's future because it generates more tax revenue.

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"There are other ways to do this," said Daniel, who suggested zoning changes that would allow higher density of single-family homes. The debate got heated, as Marum challenged Daniel to provide an alternative scheme in writing.

Developers, Henry and Daniel insisted, find the bylaw too punitive to their business and cited the absence of a single, market-rate housing project over the 20-year life of the bylaw as proof. In their estimation, the giant rental project being built near the Wareham town line will not yield the necessary tax revenue to help Marion solve the economic challenges presented by infrastructural deterioration.

Hills argued against this point, saying that while the state Department of Housing and Community Development counts all the units in a (partially) subsidized project as affordable housing, "Any unit at market rate gets taxed at market rate, not anything less."

Board member Chris Collings said that the 10% affordable-housing threshold means nothing if the town does not "sunset" it upon achieving 10%. "If that doesn't



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have any meaning, then we're just moving the goalposts," he said. "How do we incentive developers to do other projects is another affair."

Hills argued that since Steen has yet to pull a building permit in association with the 120-unit, low-income, rental project, Marion could, after a year has passed since the 2022 approval of his project, fall back under the 10% affordable-housing threshold and forfeit its right to reject a future 40B housing application.

Collings also sought to put a number to "market rate" housing, asserting that young families cannot afford to buy such homes in Marion.

Member Tucker Burr agreed.

"Whatever house you buy in Marion, you're

going to be able to buy twice the house in Wareham," said Burr, who went further outside the box and told the membership he suspects the majority of Marion's residents don't want to see any more housing, period.

Hills considered that scenario unrealistic.

Seeking more definitive terms, Burr also took issue with language that says the town "might" apply the bylaw.

When the floor was opened to public comment, Briggs argued for elimination of the bylaw, thereby incentivizing developers to build market-rate housing that theoretically would add more tax revenue to Marion's coffers.

If, with an updated census, Marion were to land at 12% affordable housing, Briggs told Hills he calculated it would take the addition of 680 more market-rate housing units in order for increased population to push the town back under 10% in affordable housing.

Open Space Acquisition Commission Chairman John Rockwell, attending via Zoom, explained that he was on the Planning Board in 2003 when the Inclusionary Housing Zoning Bylaw was brought to Town Meeting. Rockwell suggested that eliminating the bylaw would increase the burden on taxpayers.

Citing the impasse at 9:25 pm, Nelson, who was attending the meeting via Zoom, moved that the rest of the agenda be canceled and that the meeting be adjourned. All agreed.

The Public Hearing for the Zoning Bylaw changes for the 2023 Annual Town Meeting Warrant that preceded the affordable-housing discussion tackled a variety of subjects, the articles for which needed further editing per board and public comment and in some cases, were altogether scrapped.

An article that would have stipulated that citizens' petitions for Annual or Special Town Meeting must be delivered to the Select Board office no later than 60 days prior to said meeting was considered excessive by Daniel, Burr and also by Select Board Chairman Randy Parker, who considered it basically unfair.

Burr suggested citizens should be afforded equal access via the timeline as elected officials and said he

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would leave it at 14 days. Parker says the article would take away the rights of the taxpayers. Daniel said a citizens' petition should be able to come in any time prior to the closing of the warrant.

Another article approving the addition of accessory apartments above businesses of 5,000 square feet or less was debated by Rockwell, who considers the space to be "twice the size of most people's houses" and could cause the Planning Board to "lose the ability to turn down something that doesn't work for the town."

Rockwell also suggested interviewing the business community for feedback on an article that would use 5,000 square feet as a point of demarcation to sidestep the Planning Board and allow smaller businesses less



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bureaucracy.

Hills said that Building Commissioner Bob Grillo has been extremely helpful in pointing out conflicts in potential warrant articles.

The next meeting of the Marion Planning Board is scheduled for Tuesday, April 18, at 7:00 pm.

Member's Application Gets Negative Determination

Rochester Conservation Commission

By Michael J. DeCicco

Rochester's Conservation Commission started its Tuesday night meeting by signing off on a project by one of its own.

The board endorsed panel member William Clapp's plan to build a four-bedroom, single-family home with paved driveway and septic system on a 2.5-acre lot at 0 Clapp Road by voting a Negative Determination on his Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) application. In other words, the board decided the proposal would not result in any wetlands impact.

The presentation from Clapp's spokesperson Matthew Leone was quick and straightforward. Bordering vegetative wetlands are to the north and east. The house will be located as much in the southwest corner as possible. Some brush and trees will be cleared but with erosion controls installed.

Leone explained the RDA was necessary because

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the well is being located close to the resource area. Conservation Agent Merilee Kelly reported the land is almost totally flat, implying her endorsement of the project.

Clapp recused himself from the discussion, as the board's voting members unanimously approved the Negative Determination.

The commission's next action was to resume fines against Doug Rose, the owner of property at 89 Box Turtle, as the dispute over his clearing land too close to wetlands without a permit continues unresolved nearly one year after the problem started.

Commission Chairman Christopher Gerrior reported speaking to Town Counsel on the issue. He learned that Rose's attorney has been playing telephone tag with Rochester's new legal team. By Tuesday, the only word Town Counsel had received from Rose's counsel has been that the repair plan will be ready "shortly."

"Our counsel said he's dealt with this lawyer before," Gerrior said. "He's given me the idea that we should be starting up the fines again."

Board member Ben Bailey quickly motioned to do just that, and the panel unanimously agreed.

"Every resident spends money to do this process the right way," Clapp said after the vote. "This guy is making a mockery of that."

Meanwhile, Gerrior said, the town will continue to spend money on this drawn-out process until it is

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resolved.

The next question became where the fine levels should start. Should they start at a lower level or continue on a higher level? The commission requested Kelly to consult with Town Counsel.

The board agreed a year ago to begin delivering "non-criminal enforcement tickets," fining the property owner on a climbing scale of \$50, then \$100, then \$300 per day in July of 2022.

The next two votes altered the Conservation Commission's own practices going forward. The board approved moving its meetings back to Town Hall and to begin each meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.



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Gerrior asked the board's preference on reciting the Pledge in response to a town resident's request that all town boards start their meetings with the salute to the American flag. The panel, with no discussion, unanimously approved the new practice.

Gerrior then said he prefers the current meeting place, the Old Colony Regional Vocational-Technical High School library but wanted the board members' opinions. The panel also unanimously approved the change to Town Hall.

The Rochester Conservation Commission will next meet on Tuesday, April 18, at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

Holy Ghost Committee Begins Review

Mattapoisett Planning Board

By Marilou Newell

On April 3, the Mattapoisett Planning Board heard from member Nathan Ketchel regarding the establishment and first meeting of the Holy Ghost Grounds Committee, a committee charged with exploring use options for the publicly held acreage off Park Street, formally known as the Holy Ghost Grounds.

Ketchel is the Planning Board's representative on the committee, which is currently five members, but Ketchel said two spots remain open. Interested parties should contact the Select Board office. The committee includes representatives from the Recreation and

Highway departments, other town boards and members of the public.

Town Administrator Mike Lorenzo gave a brief history and current state of the site at the committee's initial meeting, which then focused on what might be developed on the parcel. Such possibilities include a dog park, community garden and rental building, which is currently being updated for family parties, such as weddings and showers.

Ketchel said he'll draw up a conceptual plan of what might be possible at the site to aid the committee in selecting plans to share with the public for comment. Regarding the dog park, he said that committee members wondered aloud how enforcement of rules would be handled, including the need for all pets to be vaccinated, obey park rules and that waste be removed.

The public land has also been noted in conceptual plans for the bike path Phase 2a. Ketchel reported that new bathrooms have been installed, and work continues on other updates, making it a viable rest stop for cyclists and others.

Ketchel also told the board members that the now-complete 2024 Master Plan has not been reviewed by the Select Board, nor by Town Counsel. Ketchel anticipates that work is being conducted before Town Meeting 2024, thus he said it will not appear in the May 2023 Town Meeting Warrant.

In other matters, a Form A, Approval Not Required, was approved for Lots 70 and 65 on Oakland and Foster streets.

Before adjourning, Planning Board Chairman Tom Tucker thanked retiring member Arlene Fidalgo for her years of service on the board.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Planning Board is scheduled for Monday, May 1, at 7:00 pm.

FY24 Budget Met with Unanimous Approval

Marion School Committee

By Mick Colageo

The FY24 Marion School Budget Hearing took place on March 8 with full approval of the Marion School Committee.

Old Rochester Regional Superintendent of Schools Mike Nelson introduced the public hearing and handed off the presentation to Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations Howie Barber.

Based on figures shared at Tuesday night's Select Board meeting, the total proposed FY24 Marion Schools Budget is \$12,648,709, including \$4,569,544 (altogether \$6,666,193) for Sippican School, \$5,274,891 for Marion's share of the Old Rochester Regional District operating budget, a \$466,078 assessment for Upper Cape Tech's operating budget and \$189,999 for debt service (ORR.)

The net percentage increase over FY23 is 2.74%.

Barber explained his zero-based budgetary method in terms of recognition of necessary

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modifications, interviews with Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning Dr. Shari Fedorowicz, Principal Marla Sirois and department heads.

Barber identified funding sources outside the operating budget such as Bristol County Agricultural School and other offsets such as federal Entitlement grants, a Special Education Circuit Breaker reimbursement and Revolving Funds such as Project GROW (preschool) tuitions.

Because there are no Marion students attending Bristol Aggie, Barber said the FY24 cost of the relationship will be zero.

At the conclusion of Barber's budget presentation, Nelson publicly thanked Marion Finance Committee Chairman Shea Assad for his work attending meetings and acting as liaison between ORR and the town.

The public hearing was closed, and the vote that followed was unanimously in favor of the FY24 budget as presented by Barber.

The committee heard a presentation from Darci Burns, the executive director of Hill for Literacy, Inc. The needs assessment focused on literacy across all the ORR District schools that began in the fall yielded information that Burns shared with the School Committee. Focus-group interviews and a ratings survey were held, along with classroom walk-throughs.

Burns recapped a report with 57 assessments indicating a need for consistent oral-language, spelling and writing assessment across all grade levels.

Sirois explained that staff will implement the recommendations of the assessment including Kindergarten.

The School Committee heard a presentation from Adam Davenport of the Marion Institute regarding the Grow Farm-to-School Program. Davenport explained that 19 gardens have been built in New Bedford elementary schools, beginning with third-grade teachers and expanding out from there.

The Marion Institute is committed to raise funds to support a two-year program at Sippican. The Marion School Committee was to write a letter of support to the town's Community Preservation Committee.



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The committee reviewed Open Meeting Law complaints filed in February by Kathleen Leclair of Mattapoisett, including an updated complaint addressed to the Marion School Committee. Nelson explained that actions were taken as outlined by the instructions in the complaint. Marion's was the last of the Tri-Town school committees to vote to authorize to legal counsel as arranged by the superintendent.

In her Chairperson's Report, April Nye publicly thanked fellow committee members, Nichole Daniel, Nichole Nye McGaffey, Mary Beauregard and Michelle Smith for their commitment to the committee's work supporting Sippican and ORR District students, staff members, administration and the community.



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"I want to recognize that we come from different backgrounds; we have taken very different career paths in our lives; we are of different age groups; and do I dare say it - are even from different political parties," said Nye. "We have many differences, yet these differences have not divided us here at this table. It is my belief that these differences are actually what have balanced this committee and is what has made us a truly successful, functioning board.

"Our ability to communicate and work together for the good of all is what makes us well-rounded and I appreciate our differences. I appreciate that we are able to leave any baggage and personal agendas at the door and come to this table to get the job done that we were elected to do."

The School Committee approved the School Health Unit application through the Massachusetts Department of Public Health as submitted by School Nurse Meagan Morais.

The committee voted to approve a donation from MassCUE to faculty Jessica Barrett in the amount of \$2,250. The committee approved the donation of the following books from Free Spirit Publishing: "I Love You All the Time," "You Wonder All the Time," "You are Growing All the Time," and "You have Feelings All the Time."

The committee approved a \$10,000 Safe and Supportive Schools Grant.

The committee approved revisions to the Student Handbook on student absences and excuses. As explained by Sirois, inclement weather as to endanger a child has been added to approved excuses. Efforts are also being made to check on absences of three or more days.

At the start of the meeting, Marion Town Administrator Geoff Gorman introduced himself to the committee. Nelson publicly thanked Gorman for reaching out and meeting with Nelson upon his hire.

The next meeting of the Marion School Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, April 12, at 6:30 pm.

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The Mattapoisett Republican Party invites everyone interested to join us on Tuesday, **April 11** from 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, 7 Barstow Street.

Topics for discussion are: 1) The upcoming town elections, 2) Planning our May 3 Event, 3) Other local meetings that are of interest to everyone.

If interested, please attend or contact by email: ChairMattGOP@Gmail.com.

April "Staycation" Scavenger Hunts

This April vacation, try out Mattapoisett Land Trust's Staycation Scavenger Hunts to get outdoors and have some fun. Created by MLT's Education Committee, there are three scavenger hunt locations to choose from: Dunseith Gardens, Tub Mill and Grace Meadow. See the Family Activities page on the MLT website to download the instructions and checklists for printing. Good luck. Remember to post your photos with #MLTscavengerhunt so we see how well you do.

Insect ID Nature Walk with Entomologist

Blake Dinius is an experienced entomologist with the Plymouth County Extension Office who has spent years researching insects. Blake joined the Mattapoisett Land Trust last year for an informational presentation on ticks and mosquitos. This year, Blake and MLT are taking

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9:00 AM A Conversation With...
9:30 AM Arts Alive
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Auto Sense
11:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
11:30 AM Paltoicast with Darren Paltowitz
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes
2:00 PM Sippican Historical Society
Oral History - Dana Debarros and Rhonda Pina Mendes
3:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
5:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
5:30 PM Beacon Hill Report
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM This is America & The World
8:30 PM Money Matters TV
9:00 PM The Beacon Hill Report
9:30 PM Lamb of God Christian Church
10:00 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Friday April 7, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM Living & Learning with Disabilities
9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
11:00 AM Cape Conversations
11:30 AM A Conversation With...
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre

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2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:30 PM Off the Shelf
3:00 PM Two Grannies on the Road
3:30 PM This is America and the World
4:00 PM Paltoicast with Darren Paltowitz
4:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
5:00 PM FORM Instrumental Concert
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band - United Nations Day
8:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Butterflies of the Southcoast
9:00 PM The Non-Profit World
9:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
1:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Saturday April 8, 2023

6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival
9:00 AM Health Source
9:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM A Conversation With...
11:00 AM Auto Sense
11:30 AM Science 360
12:00 PM Mid-Day Movie
1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society
Oral History - Dana Debarros and Rhonda Pina Mendes
2:30 PM XUC Pro Wrestling
3:00 PM Paltoicast with Darren Paltowitz
3:30 PM South Coast Matters
4:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
4:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Butterflies on the Southcoast
5:30 PM Cape Conversations
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
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8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
8:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - The Climate Crisis and its Solution
9:30 PM This is America & The World
11:30 PM Classic Movies

Sunday April 9, 2023

6:00 AM Health Source
6:30 AM Reeling - The Movie Review Show
7:00 AM Lamb of God Christian Church
8:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Marion
11:30 AM Tri-Town TV
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society
Oral History - Dana Debarros and Rhonda Pina Mendes
2:25 PM Sippican Historical Society - 19th Century American Landscapes with Naomi Slipp
3:30 PM Paltoicast with Darren Paltowitz
4:00 PM Fur, Fins, and Feathers
4:30 PM The World Fusion Show
5:00 PM XUC Pro Wrestling
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11:30 PM Classic Movies

Monday April 10, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM For Your Health
9:00 AM You and Your Health
9:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:00 AM A Conversation With...
10:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
11:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road
11:30 AM Tri-Town TV
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM In the Toy Box

1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV
2:30 PM The Collective Chat
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
5:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - The Climate Crisis and its Solution
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:20 PM Tri-Town Against Racism
7:30 PM Paltoicast with Darren Paltowitz
8:00 PM Pete on the Street
8:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
9:00 PM Let's Talk Business
9:30 PM Building the Future
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday April 11, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road
9:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
9:30 AM The Collective Chat
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
11:00 AM Arts Alive
11:30 AM In the Toy Box
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
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1:30 PM The Non-Profit World
2:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
2:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
4:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Plastic Pollution
5:30 PM Tri-Town TV
6:00 PM XUC Pro Wrestling
7:00 PM Tri-Town Against Racism
8:00 PM Money Matters TV
8:30 PM Beacon Hill Report
9:00 PM Falmouth Academy Community Series
10:00 PM Gay USA

11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Wednesday April 12, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM For Your Health
9:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road
9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
11:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
2:00 PM Auto Sense
2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday
3:00 PM A Conversation With...
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6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
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7:30 PM Registers Report
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9:30 PM Beacon Hill Report
10:00 PM Ghost Chronicles
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

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7:30 AM Marion Planning Board
9:30 AM Marion Conservation Commission
11:30 PM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals
12:30 PM Marion Open Space Acquisition Committee
2:30 PM Marion Finance Committee
4:00 PM Marion Board of Health
5:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing Trust
6:00 PM Marion Marine Resource Committee
7:00 PM Marion School Committee
9:30 PM ORR School Committee
11:30 PM ORR Budget Public Hearing

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9:00 AM Rochester Planning Board
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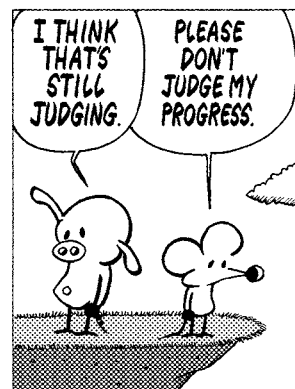
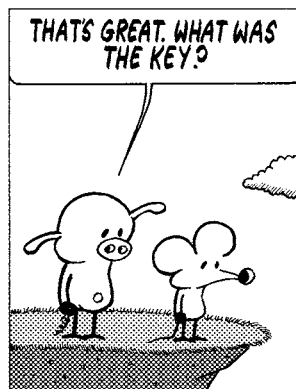
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7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
7:30 AM RMS Winter Concert
8:30 AM RMS Graduation Ceremony
10:00 AM Sippican Historical Society
Oral History - Charlie Bradley
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
12:30 PM RMS K-Info Session
1:30 PM ORR Girls Basketball vs Wareham
2:30 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Dighton Rehoboth
3:30 PM ORR Athletic Hall of Fame
5:30 PM ORR Pep Rally
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
7:00 PM ORR Graduation
8:30 PM ORR Theater Class - Scooby Doo
9:30 PM ORRHS Spring Concert
11:00 PM ORR softball vs Seekonk

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it outside and getting closer to the subject matter: bugs.

Join Blake and MLT on Thursday, **April 20** at 10:30 am at the Grace Meadow Preserve for an Insect ID Nature Walk. Blake will be teaching us all about the bugs we find on our walk through the meadow. Park at the kiosk at the end of Bowman Road and please dress for the outdoors; long pants and close-toed shoes are recommended. This program is for people of all ages. Please see the MLT's online events calendar for more details and to RSVP.

Discover Vernal Pools with the MLT

Vernal pools are a vital breeding habitat for resident amphibians and invertebrates such as wood frogs, spotted and blue-spotted salamanders and fairy shrimp. The Mattapoissett Land Trust is once again offering an introduction to vernal pools, this year through a field trip into the Woodcock Preserve.

On Saturday, **April 15** at 1:00 pm., we'll meet at the Tinkhamtown Woodlands parking area on Long Plain Road. We'll then proceed a short distance on the MLT Woodcock trail to the vernal pool. Together we will have fun learning about vernal pools and exploring a beautiful one.

The exploration is free and open to all, including residents of other towns. Please wear appropriate clothing, including rubber boots. The exploration will take place rain or shine. See MLT's online event calendar to RSVP and follow on social media for more information and updates.

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OBITUARIES



Marilyn Kinney Lee, age 88, of Mattapoisett, passed away Tuesday March 28, 2023 peacefully at home surrounded by her family. She was the beloved wife of 52 years of the late Daniel C. Lee, Jr., and the daughter of the late Police Chief Alden S. and Mrs. Doris L. (Perreault) Kinney.

Born in New Bedford on June 4, 1934, Marilyn's roots in Mattapoisett were strong and deep. She attended Center School and Fairhaven High School and graduated from Dean Academy in 1953, where, as a cheerleader, she cheered on Dean's Basketball Team on the parquet of the old Boston Garden. Marilyn received her Associate's Degree from Endicott College in 1955 and continued her studies at Rhode Island College and Bridgewater State University. As an early childhood educator, Marilyn started a Kindergarten on Cape Cod, taught at Sacred Hearts Academy and the Anthony School in Fairhaven, and Center School in Mattapoisett, where she retired as a Special Needs Teacher. She was passionate about providing area children, particularly those who needed a little extra help, the opportunity to learn and achieve.

Marilyn's interests were many and included sailing, history, genealogy, music, reading, and crewel work. In her youth and young adulthood, Marilyn and her sister sailed their Beetle Cat, Dixie Cup, to victory in many Mattapoisett Yacht Club races. In addition, she played the violin in the New Bedford Young People's Orchestra and was a Girl Scout who achieved Mariner status. As such, she acted in Warner Bros. Pictures' film *Women of Tomorrow*.

Marilyn proudly traced her roots back 11 generations in the region and was a key member of the Mattapoisett Bicentennial Committee, celebrating America's 200th anniversary in 1975-1976. She designed the logo for the town's year-long event, which became the centerpiece for commemorative plates, t-shirts, and sweatshirts, among other items. Marilyn also served as an appointed member of the town's Recreation Committee and the Mattapoisett Historical Commission.

No role was more important to Marilyn than that of wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was devoted to her family and was a kind, loving, and guiding presence to her late husband and two children. Her three grandchildren enjoyed summers at "Camp Marilyn," and her two great-grandchildren loved playing "stuffedies" and trucks with her.

Marilyn is survived by her son, Daniel C. Lee, III and his wife Tracey (Robert) Lee; her daughter Darcy H. Lee; her grandchildren Casey (Lee) Rogers and her husband Adam Rogers, Owen Kinney Lee, and Madeleine Olivier Lee; her great-granddaughter Alice Carole Rogers and great-grandson Andrew Emerson Rogers; her sister Jocelyn Kinney Baylow, nieces, nephews, and cousins, and many, many friends, including Table 48 and the Fairhaven High School Class of 1953 Lunch Group.

The Lee family invites you to Marilyn's visitation, Funeral Mass, and burial on Wednesday, April 5th. Visitation will be held from 9 am – 10:30 am at Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road, Mattapoisett,

with the Funeral Mass at 11 am at St. Anthony's Church, 26 Hammond Street, Mattapoisett. Burial will follow at Cushing Cemetery, Mattapoisett. For directions and guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.



Barbara S. Besse, 92, of Rochester passed away peacefully on March 29, 2023 at Sacred Heart Home in New Bedford. She was the wife of the late Richard H. Besse and daughter of Raymond and Alberta King.

Barbara worked at McLellan's 5 & 10 in Wareham after high school and on family cranberry bogs. She enjoyed traveling with friends and family before she married. She was a Brownie leader, one of the founding members and Treasurer of The Rochester Historical Society, longtime member and Treasurer of the North Rochester Congregational Church and Rochester Town Historian. She owned an Antique and Bottle Shop for many years, she also had a wallpapering & painting business which gave her the opportunity to beautify the homes of many residents of Rochester and surrounding towns. Although she could not always remember the customer's names, she remembered their wallpaper and the rooms. Barbara was also a gifted artist.

Some of Barbara's favorite things: family genealogy which she did for many years with her cousin Beverly (they were Mayflower descendants), playing cards, doing puzzles, camping, watching old westerns and *The Golden Girls*. She was a lifelong Boston Red Sox fan and *Dirty Dancing* was one of her favorite movies. She loved Abby the cat. Since 2008 she met monthly with her Wareham High School Class of 1948 classmates for lunch at Vel's. Her class had a reunion every five years since 1948; the last one being the 70th in September 2018.

She is survived by her children: Jeanne (Besse) Roy of West Wareham, James Besse of Rochester, Joanne (Besse) Viera of West Wareham and her husband Glen, Judy Besse of Rochester. Grandchildren: Amanda (Besse) Bell, Justin Viera and Jenni (Viera) Moos and four great-grandchildren. Her sister, Betty Beaulieu of Rochester and brother, Allen King of Acushnet also survive her, as well as cousins, nieces, nephews and many friends. She was predeceased by her brother Raymond King and sisters Marjorie Morse and Lorraine Morse.

Graveside service to which relatives and friends are invited will be held Saturday, April 15, 2023 at 10 am at North Rochester Cemetery on North Avenue by Kirby Funeral Home.

Reception to follow at North Rochester Congregational Church.

The family would like to thank Sacred Heart Home and Community Hospice for their loving care.

Donations in Barbara's memory can be made to The North Rochester Congregational Church, 247 North Avenue, Rochester, MA 02770, The Rochester Historical Society, P.O. Box 171, Rochester, MA 02770 or Alzheimer's Association (act.alz.org)

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recently qualified for the Massachusetts Town Clerks' Association's (MTCA) prestigious CMMC (Certified Massachusetts Municipal Clerk) designation and will receive her commemorative pin and certificate at the MTCA Spring Conference in Plymouth, MA on June 8. Currently, only 121 of the Commonwealth's 301 active town clerks hold this designation.

The CMMC designation is achieved by attending MTCA-sponsored educational courses and passing a 250 question aptitude test measuring the municipal clerk's knowledge of Massachusetts.

General Laws in categories such as elections and election procedures, vital records, campaign & political finance, town meetings, Chapter 40A (planning), Chapter 41 (zoning), ethics and public records. Elizabeth has served as Marion's appointed Town Clerk for three years. Prior to that, she served as Assistant.

Town Clerk from 2017 to 2019 and was a member of the Board of Registrars from 2015 to 2017. In addition, she served as Administrative Assistant for the Conservation Commission from 2017 to 2019. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) degree in Accounting from the University of Richmond, VA.

In addition to the MTCA, she is a member of the Plymouth County Clerks Association, the New England Association of City and Town Clerks and the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC.)

In addition, she continues her professional development through courses sponsored by the MTCA and the Secretary of the Commonwealth's Elections

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TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



Sixth-grader and ribbon winner Sophie Zhou with her invention, "A Breath of Fresh Air!" during Sippican Elementary School's 2023 Science Fair held on March 22. (right) Second-grader Amina Goodman's Kangaroo Pouch invention, Photos courtesy ORR School District and MA Superintendency Union #55



The Old Rochester Regional High School sailing team is on the water for practice. Photo by Ellen Scholter-Walker

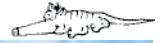


Photo by Jen Shepley



Over 65 people participated in the Passover to Passion Seder supper on March 31 at St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church in Marion. It was a great night of learning and eating. There were lots of amazing foods and fellowship. Photo courtesy Tanya Ambrosi

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Thursday, **April 6** at 7:00 pm is the Maundy Thursday Service with dramatic readings plus Communion.

Friday, **April 7**, the Sanctuary will be open from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm for prayer and contemplation.

Easter Sunday, **April 9** begins with Easter Sunrise

Service at Silvershell Beach at 5:45 am. At 10:00, join us for Easter Worship in the Sanctuary, followed by an Easter Egg Hunt outside for the children.

Sunday, **April 16** at 4:30 pm, come hear the Tabor Gospel Choir in Concert in the Sanctuary.

For further information, please call the church office at 508-748-1053 or email office@marionfirstchurch.org.

Bluegrass Band at the Mattapoisett Museum

Mark your calendars, music lovers. On Saturday, **April 29**, the Mattapoisett Museum is hosting an epic event that you wouldn't want to miss. Come and join Four Bridges, a New England-based Bluegrass band, as they perform live at the museum.



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MOVIE REVIEW

Clockwork

By Rob Gonsalves
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***Safety Last* (1923).** Starring Harold Lloyd and Mildred Davis. Directed by Fred C. Newmeyer and Sam Taylor. Running time: 73 minutes. Available on physical home media and free streaming on Kanopy.

Last Saturday, April 1, Harold Lloyd's famous *Safety Last* hit the century mark. Aside from a couple of low-key caricatures common in its day (they could be worse, but they still stick out to the modern eye), the film has aged beautifully — it goes like lightning and seems supercharged by creativity and by the comedy of physical logic particular to silent films. If a rope or a net or a flock of birds introduce themselves, you can be sure they'll be getting in the way of our hero as he attempts to scale a tall city building. Even before the climax, Lloyd (playing a character called Harold Lloyd, though the credits name him The Boy) sidesteps or blocks or evades one spot of trouble after another, by luck as much as by ingenuity.

Harold Lloyd was perhaps the most relatable of the silent titans (Chaplin, Keaton) of his time. He repped the American can-do ethos, brightened by his eternal smile, meant to instill confidence in him, occasionally soured by anxiety. In *Safety Last*, Harold leaves his small hometown for the Big City (actually Los Angeles — the film inadvertently gives us a good peek backwards, at L.A. streets and storefronts the way they looked two years before *The Great Gatsby* was published). He leaves behind his girlfriend (Mildred Davis, who'd married Lloyd earlier in 1923), who expects he'll send for her when he gets settled. A while later, Harold is a \$15-a-week garment clerk in a department store, but pretends to have a management position. We accept he's not trying to be deceitful out of any malign motive — he just wants her to think as well of him as he does of her. The credits call her The Girl, and she's kind of treated as such.

The sexual politics there are a bit cobwebbed, as are the fleeting but still eyebrow-raising appearances of an overeager Jewish jewelry seller with bad, ratty teeth and a Black worker literally scared up the wall by one of Harold's ploys. For the most part, though, *Safety Last* — I will remind you the film is a hundred years old — is good-hearted and simple. The really enjoyable thing about it is that it establishes the general pattern of Harold's tribulations before the stakes become life or death. There's a lengthy section where Harold's girlfriend comes to his work for a surprise visit and he has to improvise, lord it over baffled coworkers, bribe and then rescind the bribe ('20s and '30s



movies are far more money-conscious and honest about class than any movie today) — he pulls out all his tricks. Before that, he's accidentally whisked away by a towel truck and must make his way back to the store before the bell rings so he can clock in on time, and he moves heaven and earth to get there, culminating in posing as a mannequin, the act that so frightens his Black colleague. Harold is a chaos magnet; the chaos comes out of his wanting to fit into the capitalist machine. And that applies, as well, to him ending up dangling from a clock high up on a building.

That image is the film's most famous, possibly American silent films' most famous — I imagine everyone has seen it somewhere. The full effect of Lloyd's achievement requires some contextual understanding. It turns out he didn't do 100% of the stunts himself, and some camera trickery was used to make the clock seem higher than it was; nevertheless, Lloyd did more than enough, and could easily have been killed. These days, we just assume CG effects are involved. Even if Tom Cruise actually scaled the world's tallest building for *Mission: Impossible 4*, the cables securing him to the surface were digitally whited-out. By and large, we know no such pizzazz was available to the makers of *Safety Last*. We can see it plainly: *He's up there*.

Lloyd was inspired by watching steeplejack Bill Strother (who plays Harold's pal and roomie) ply his trade, climbing a building, and he made sure to add a bunch of roadblocks to that vertical run. Every smaller, less dangerous obstacle we've seen Harold contend with builds towards the payoff of the clock. (And clock and watch faces have been a visual motif, too — Harold setting back the punch clock, prefiguring his turning the big clock's hand back.) Time itself is the big city monster that drives and pursues Harold. Mortality and financial insecurity are in the air — World War I was fewer than five years in the rearview when the movie premiered, and the Great Depression was only six years ahead. That image speaks volumes about how America must have felt — on a disastrous precipice, the bloodbath of history still not fully dry, yet trying like mad to move up anyway. The fact that the movie is also, after a hundred years, still funny as hell doesn't hurt.

Let us introduce you to the talented band members:

Jeremy Place is a music educator, plays mandolin, guitar and banjo and sings. He writes songs and bakes bread at night after tucking his kids in for bed.

Benjamin Marshall, who plays banjo, guitar, mandolin, fiddle, bass and sings, grew up listening to Flatt & Scruggs, and his love for bluegrass shows in his performances.

Greg Ferreira, a classically trained pianist, is also a skilled mandolin, guitar, banjo, harmonica, fiddle, bass player and singer. Bill Monroe & the Stanleys inspired him to play bluegrass.

Lastly, we have Nelson Hiller, a talented songwriter from Mattapoisett, who plays bass, mandolin and guitar and sings. He's known for his infectious energy that gets everyone in the mood for some bluegrass fun.

This is an event for everyone, so bring your family and friends. As Nelson Hiller says, "We'll have you dancing, crying, hootin' and hollerin'." Four Bridges is a well-seasoned band that loves to perform, and their passion shines through in their music. Doors open at 7 pm, and the show starts at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$15 for general admission. Patron and Sustainer level Mattapoisett Museum members get 10% off two tickets for this event.

For more information, please visit the museum's website, www.mattapoisettmuseum.org/events to learn more and to purchase tickets. Get your tickets now, and let's have a night full of bluegrass music. Contact info@mattapoisettmuseum.org with any questions.

Sippican Pomona Grange #31 Celebrates 100 Years

Sippican Pomona Grange #31 was organized in 1923 by State Grange Deputy Reid Dana Macafee, a Past President of Marion Grange. Last Saturday, over 50 people came together to celebrate the occasion at the Rochester Grange Hall. A delicious baked chicken dinner at 1:00 pm began the festivities. Afterwards, the gathering moved to the main hall where Pomona President Susan LaFleur had Betsy Huber National Grange President escorted to a seat at her right. Also escorted to her right was State Grange President Glenn Gibson and his wife Kathy who is Lady Assistant Steward of the National Grange. The Bible was opened on the Altar followed by the presentation of the Flag and a candle lighting ceremony.

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Joshua Cunha, President of Acushnet Grange, acted as emcee for the afternoon. He recognized the many State dignitaries in the hall which included four Past Presidents of the State Grange. Guests came from all over the State as well as Pennsylvania.

Sippican is a regional Grange comprised of six Granges – Acushnet #285, East Freetown #307, Dartmouth Grange #162, Rochester Grange #257, So. Middleboro Grange #337 and Westport Grange #181. A history of each of the Granges was read with State President Glenn Gibson giving a history of Sippican's 100 years. The names of all past Presidents were read by George Thomas, a past State Grange President and member of Sippican's Executive Committee. Past Pomona President Elizabeth Gonneville read the names of the past lecturers. National President Betsy Huber congratulated Sippican on its 100 years and spoke briefly on Grange. She was followed by a musical program by Tom & Sheila Perry from Wareham. State Grange President Glenn Gibson, our guest speaker, spoke on the Grange organization and how the organization has endured through the years, while noting its many accomplishments.

A citation received from the Massachusetts General Court was read by Christopher Szkutak, State Grange Legislative Director. The Resolution was signed by Speaker of the House Roland Mariano, House Clerk Steven T. James, Senate President Karen S. Spilka and Michael D. Hurley, Clerk of the Senate. Also signing the Resolution were its sponsors, Representative William M. Straus and Senator Michael J. Rodrigues.

The program concluded with a presentation of

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TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



MARION

Log highlights March 26-April 1

- Lewis St – Officer wanted
- Lewis St – EMS/medical
- Front St – Suspicious MV
- Joanne Dr – EMS/medical
- Beach St – EMS/medical
- Front St – General service
- Front St – Identity theft
- Mill St - Fraud
- Lewis St – EMS/medical
- Maron Rd – Assist other dept
- Dexter Rd – EMS/medical
- Beach St – EMS/medical
- Mill St - Fraud
- Allen St – EMS/medical
- South St – Health/welfare
- Wareham Rd – Smoke investigation
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Village Dr – Larceny/past
- Mill St – Road hazard
- Vine St – EMS/medical
- Converse Rd – General service
- Stoney Run Ln – Health/welfare
- Village Dr – Follow up investigation
- Wareham Rd – General service
- Holly Ln – EMS/medical
- Wareham Rd – Follow up
- Island Wharf Rd – Suspicious activity
- Allen St – Officer wanted
- Lewis St – EMS/medical

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights March 26-April 1

- Grand View Ave – 911 call
- Baker Ln – Health/welfare
- Reservation Rd – Parking complaint
- Marion Rd – Officer wanted
- County Rd – MV violations
- Fairhaven Rd – Larceny/forgery
- County Rd – MV crash
- County Rd – 911 call
- County Rd – Weapons discharge
- Old Tree Farm Rd – Animal control
- Euclid Ave – 911 abandoned
- Acushnet Rd – Officer wanted
- Split Rock Ln – Medical/assist
- Fairhaven Rd – MV violations
- Aucoot Rd – Ambulance request
- Beaver Path – Follow up
- Marion Rd – 911 call
- Chapel Rd – Missing person
- Ocean View Ave – Ambulance request
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Fairhaven Rd – Animal control
- North St – Officer wanted
- County Rd – General service
- North St – Medical/assist
- Oliver's Ln - Complaint
- Fairhaven Rd – Property found
- County Rd – Assist citizen
- County Rd – 911 call
- Barstow St – 911 abandoned

ROCHESTER

Log highlights March 26-April 1

- Haskell Ridge Rd – Animal control
- Braley Hill Rd – 911 call
- New Bedford Rd – MV stop/arrest
- Snows Pond Rd – MV collision
- Braley Hill Rd – MV collision
- Marion Rd – Animal control
- Pine St – General services
- Featherbed Ln – General services
- Cranberry Hwy – Suspicious activity
- Cranberry Hwy – MV stop/towed
- County Rd – Suspicious activity
- Snipatuit Rd – 911 call
- Neck Rd – Animal control
- Marion Rd – Well being check
- Neck Rd – General service
- Walnut Plain Rd - Investigation
- Perrys Ln – Suspicious activity
- Negus Way – Suspicious activity
- Mendell Rd – Lost animal
- Noble Rd – Duress alarm
- Neck Rd – Chimney fire
- New Bedford Rd – 911 call
- Robinson Rd – Hazmat spill
- Rounseville Rd – Well being check
- Sarah Sherman Rd - Burglary
- Negus Way – Suspicious activity
- New Bedford Rd – Threats
- Dexter Ln – Animal control
- Cranberry Hwy – MV stop/arrest

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.



REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, April 10: German beef stew w/vegetables, red bliss potatoes, oatmeal roll, Mandarin oranges

Tuesday, April 11: Chicken coq au vin, O'Brien potatoes, glazed beets, multigrain bread, mixed fruit

Wednesday, April 12: Hot dog, mustard, baked beans, cabbage & carrots, hot dog roll, fresh apple

Thursday, April 13: Meatloaf w/mushroom onion gravy, garlic mashed potato, spring vegetables, whole wheat bread, chocolate pudding, diet: low-sugar pudding

Friday, April 14: Macaroni & cheese, escalloped tomatoes, dinner roll, pineapple chunks

CENTER SCHOOL

Monday, April 10: Breaded mozzarella sticks, homemade chicken soup, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

Tuesday, April 11: Pot o gold

tatcho, warm soft pretzel

Wednesday, April 12: Breakfast burrito, tator tots, orange smiles

Thursday, April 13: American chop suey, warm breadstick, mixed veggies

Friday, April 14: Cheese pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday, April 10: Breaded mozzarella sticks, homemade chicken soup, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

Tuesday, April 11: Pot o gold tatcho, warm soft pretzel

Wednesday, April 12: Breakfast burrito, tator tots, orange smiles

Thursday, April 13: American chop suey, warm breadstick, mixed veggies

Friday, April 14: Cheese pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

Monday, April 10: Breaded mozzarella sticks, homemade

chicken soup, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

Tuesday, April 11: Pot o gold tatcho, warm soft pretzel

Wednesday, April 12: Breakfast burrito, tator tots, orange smiles

Thursday, April 13: BBQ beef on a bulky roll, oven baked potato wedges, lettuce & tomato, pickle

Friday, April 14: Cheese pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

Monday, April 10: Breaded mozzarella sticks, homemade chicken soup, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

Tuesday, April 11: Pot o gold tatcho, warm soft pretzel

Wednesday, April 12: Breakfast burrito, tator tots, orange smiles

Thursday, April 13: Homemade lasagna, warm breadstick, mixed veggies

Friday, April 14: Cheese pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

SIPPICAN SCHOOL

Monday, April 10: Breaded mozzarella sticks, homemade chicken soup, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

Tuesday, April 11: Pot o gold tatcho, warm soft pretzel

Wednesday, April 12: Breakfast burrito, tator tots, orange smiles

Thursday, April 13: Oven roast turkey & gravy served over creamy mashed potato, whole grain dinner roll, mixed veggies

Friday, April 14: Cheese pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

OLD COLONY REGIONAL

Monday, April 10: Shepherd's pie & dinner roll

Tuesday, April 11: Macaroni & cheese, bread stick

Wednesday, April 12: Bagel pizza & salad

Thursday, April 13: Italian sub & fries

Friday, April 14: Assorted pizza

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Music at the MAC Spring Series

The Marion Art Center (the MAC) is pleased to announce its spring series of Music at the MAC with generous support through a Festivals & Projects grant provided by the Mass Cultural Council. View all concerts and register online at marionartcenter.org/music.

Only a few tickets remain for the MAC's first Unplugged in the MAC Gallery event with pianist Matt Richard and guitarist Donn Legge on Friday, **April 14** (second seating scheduled at 8:45pm). The cost is \$12 for MAC members and \$15 for nonmembers. Find a spot at a cabaret table to listen to a mix of jazz standards and original compositions by both artists. Guests will enjoy a refreshing atmosphere at this unplugged performance featuring mainly acoustic sound, without the volume and density of bass and drums often experienced during larger concerts in the MAC Theater. Guests may bring their own beverages and snacks to enjoy in this intimate setting.

Experience a night of original music performed by four talented singer/songwriters on the MAC stage on Saturday, **April 22** at 7:30 pm. The MAC's first edition of Songwriters in the Round will feature local musicians Richard Lewis, Molly O'Leary, Ric Allendorf and John Fernandes. Musicians will share the stage, taking turns performing original songs. During the first hour, guests will hear up to three songs per artist, followed by a 15-20 minute intermission where guests can meet and greet the artists. Finish off the night with two more songs from each artist and an informal Q&A opportunity after the show. Tickets are just \$20 for MAC members and \$25 for nonmembers.

Don't miss the Buttonwood Brass Prohibition Party on Saturday, **May 13** from 6:30-9:00 pm, just one of many events during SouthCoast Spring Arts at the MAC. Put together your 1920's attire and bring your favorite "bootleg" beverage of choice. Enjoy the MAC's speakeasy-cabaret atmosphere while listening to Buttonwood Brass, a versatile ensemble performing Jazz Standards, Classical, New Orleans, Roaring Twenties and the Great American Songbook from the Prohibition Era. Guests are encouraged to dress the part. Light snacks will be provided by the MAC. Tickets are just \$15 per person for this low cost Spring Arts event.

See New York-based band Hawthorne perform at the MAC on Friday, **May 19** at 7:30 pm (tickets are \$20 for MAC members and \$25 for nonmembers.) Musicians Nat Osborn and Aimee Bayles form this Folk-Americana band with a modern edge. Hawthorne's music weaves intricate vocal harmonies with contemporary folk melodies and arresting instrumentation. Their sound draws inspiration from folk legends Paul Simon, Gillian Welch, Patty Griffin and Alison Krauss as well as contemporary artists Fleet Foxes, Glen Hansard and Dawes. With Nat and Aimee's original songs taking center stage, the band includes long-time collaborator and cellist Karna Ray and a rotating cast of talented multi-instrumentalists.

Putnam Murdock & Friends return to the MAC stage on Saturday, **May 27** at 7:30 pm, with musician Merrick Brannigan as the opening act. Along with Colin

Bradley on pedal steel, Kyle Spark on bass and Mark Purrington on drums, Murdock's tunes are realized in a new way. There is a sensitivity and touch where the players listen and create in the moment to create a solid sonic foundation but one that is malleable and patient. These players do not rely on their rehearsals to create repetition but to create the trust it takes to approach every song like it is brand new every time they perform. Merrick Brannigan is a 15-year-old singer/songwriter with a passion for all things music. He is an accomplished guitarist, pianist and vocalist. A former Nantucket resident, his music career began when he won Nantucket's Got Talent in 2019.

View all concerts and register online at marionartcenter.org/music.

Upcoming Events at the Elizabeth Taber Library

Lego Club Tuesdays at 4 pm - Our Lego Club is back. All kids are welcome to join us for some open-ended play time. Create your masterpiece.

Air Dry Clay Coasters Workshop. Part 1 Thursday **April 13** at 6 pm Create your clay coasters; Part 2 Thursday, **April 20** at 6 pm Paint and seal your designs. Create a set of coasters out of air dry clay, then paint and seal your design for a unique coaster set. For teens and adults. Register for this free program at the library.

SAILS Library Network Road Trip. **April 18 to 21** - Visit libraries in the SAILS library network for special events and activities. Get your library passport stamped

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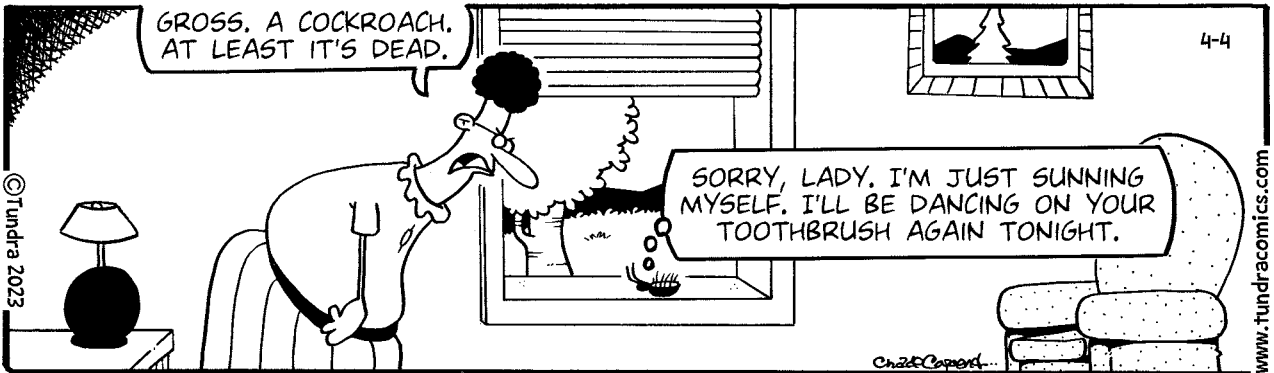
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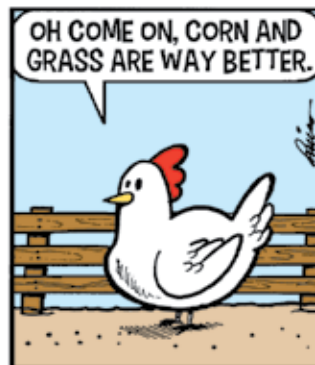


Tundra
by Chad Carpenter



Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



and make a miniature library.

The Elizabeth Taber Library is now a member of the Library Speakers Consortium. Each month we will announce new in depth author talks that you can stream in your own home. Check out our website for more information. This month: Thursday **April 27** at 8 pm – William Kent Krueger, New York Times Bestselling Author of Ordinary Grace, This Tender Land, and Lighting Strike.

Coping with the Loss of a Pet Program **April 27** at 6:30-7:30 - Join us in welcoming Susan Holt, DVM and Veterinary Chaplain Kelly Drescher Johnson, B.A., M.Div., to speak about coping with the loss of a pet and provide helpful strategies and resources for people mourning an animal companion. Local pet photographer Jennifer Carroll will discuss her involvement with The Tilly Project, an end-of life pet photography network which connects pet owners with photographers, and provides supportive resources for photography, anticipatory grief and pet loss. Admission is free. Seating is limited, so please call to register, or sign up at the library.

For more information on the Elizabeth Taber Library, visit us at www.ElizabethTaberLibrary.org or call us at 508-748-1252.

Marion's Annual Town Cleanup is on Earth Day

Looking for a fun & meaningful activity to get you (and your family) out of the house this Earth Day? The Marion Department of Public Works and Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts of Marion Troop 32 will sponsor the town's annual Earth Day Cleanup.

The event will be held on Saturday, **April 22** from 9 am to 12 pm at Washburn Park on Front Street. Trash bags, gloves and safety vests will be provided.

In addition, Gifts to Give will have a trailer there to collect items for those in need. Please follow this link for



Mattapoisett Physical Education Teacher, Coach and event coordinator Chad Cabeceiras participates in the Old Hammondtown Students vs. Faculty basketball game held last week at Old Rochester Regional High School gym. The game, rescheduled as the ORR boys basketball team went deep into the MIAA state tournament, is a fundraiser for Old Hammondtown student activities. Photo courtesy of Old Hammondtown Principal Kevin Tavares

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a list of items they accept.

Lastly, as many of you know, the Scouts have lost a large amount of equipment and memorabilia in a fire at the beginning of the month of March. Donations will be accepted for The Camp Hadley Trust and scouts during this event as well. We hope to see you there.

Rabies Clinic

A rabies clinic for cats and dogs will be held on Sunday, **April 23** from 10 am until 12 noon at the old Mattapoisett Fire Station which is located at 26 County Road. The fee for the vaccination is \$15. Cats must be in carriers and dogs must be leashed. Dog licensing for Mattapoisett residents will be offered. License fees are \$12 for intact animals and \$9 for those that have been altered.

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- 1 Sponsored part of a magazine
- 7 Probability
- 11 To be, in Toulouse
- 15 "Elizabeth" star Blanchett
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- 20 Buccaneer's topper
- 22 Major Norse god
- 23 1940 drama based on a Steinbeck novel
- 25 Tri- tripled
- 26 Possible reply to "Are you?"
- 27 Become indistinct
- 28 Architect I.M. —
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- 30 Endemic to
- 31 Bed for Baby
- 33 Pas' partners
- 35 2006 Jack Black comedy
- 38 1999 Jason Biggs comedy
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- 44 1950s Ford
- 45 Hoped-for altar reply
- 46 Live wire
- 48 Airborne toy

- 50 Andrew Carnegie's corp.
- 54 1970 Godfrey Cambridge comedy
- 59 Discoloration
- 60 Computer since 1998
- 62 Cellular stuff
- 63 Pipe mouth
- 64 Fly apart
- 65 Jazz singer Jones
- 67 Health resort
- 69 Unprocessed
- 70 1984 horror film based on a Stephen King story
- 76 Start-up loan org.
- 78 Cheyenne's state: Abbr.
- 79 French painter Dufy
- 80 Grace under pressure
- 83 Attempts something
- 86 Big ball of energy
- 89 Bawled
- 90 Observers
- 91 1987 film about a Vietnam War battle
- 94 Fruity wine drink
- 96 Alan who played Pierce

- 97 Muscles worked by doing squats
- 99 Give a massage to
- 100 Kinda
- 103 Falsehood
- 105 1988 coming-of-age film co-starring Julia Roberts
- 110 1947 romantic comedy co-starring Claudette Colbert
- 113 1099 fig.
- 114 "Va-va- —!"
- 115 Dual radio designation
- 116 Siouan tribe member
- 117 Gymnastics floor covering
- 120 "I wonder ..."
- 123 Manhattan sch.
- 124 New Haven school
- 125 2008 Seth Rogen comedy
- 129 "Son of —!"
- 130 Expert at increasing profits
- 131 Fisher who played Leia
- 132 Schoolbook
- 133 Not fooled by
- 134 Descartes of philosophy

- 135 New York college near Hyde Park
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- 3 Early baby
- 4 "Life of Pi" director Lee
- 5 Attire
- 6 List abbr.
- 7 Divisor, e.g.
- 8 Trash-talk
- 9 Fall
- 10 Not injurious
- 11 Eternally, in verse
- 12 Roofing straw
- 13 Fed's interest increase, e.g.
- 14 Botany or history lead-in
- 15 Self-assured
- 16 Cute, in slang
- 17 Stannite, say
- 18 Glossy finish
- 21 Bed size
- 24 Cougar
- 32 Part of BBC
- 34 Invasive PC programs
- 36 Squirrel nosh
- 37 Divulge
- 39 — Kit (face reconstructor)
- 40 Former miller
- 41 Sebastian
- 41 How soda is often sold
- 42 Devour

- 47 Dr.'s field
- 49 — artery (aorta offshoot)
- 50 Kind of port for a PC
- 51 Poker great Ungar
- 52 Mocking irony
- 53 "Lucky" pilot
- 55 Eclectic fusion
- 56 "Grand" liqueur brand
- 57 Alias lead-in
- 58 Novel
- 61 Gloom-filled
- 66 Opposite of vertical: Abbr.
- 68 Animal skins
- 71 2004-09 Showtime drama, with "The"
- 72 "— Towers" (telly sitcom)
- 73 Like sandals
- 74 Reveal one's inner self
- 75 Mnemonic for rainbow colors
- 76 "Be quiet!"
- 77 Lamb's cry
- 81 — Lanka
- 82 That, to Alejandra
- 84 Reduction
- 85 Soviet prison camp
- 87 Impelled

- 88 Puck-pushers' org.
- 92 Addressee of a New Testament Epistle
- 93 Element name ending
- 95 Ellipse part
- 98 Declaration upon delivery of an item
- 100 Occupy, as a hotel
- 101 Electric resistance
- 102 Acid — (cause of heartburn)
- 104 Part of the plan
- 106 "By the power vested — ..."
- 107 Ones planning city partitions
- 108 Common lawn grass
- 109 One making others laugh
- 111 Decide to play for pay
- 112 Mosque chief
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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Someone you relied on might resist your request for help. Get the facts behind their decision before jumping to conclusions. You might be in for a surprise.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time for the winter-weary Bovine to start plans for spring redecorating. Indulge in something super beautiful for your home. You deserve it.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) An inner conflict might keep you from taking the first step toward healing an old wound. Seek the advice of a trusted friend for help in dealing with your uncertainty.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Change can bring confusion. You need to take a strong stand to make sure your rights are respected despite all the fuss and fury going on around you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your financial situation continues to improve, although you still need to watch those expenses. Something from the past could affect a current situation.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Problems adjusting to a new job and unfamiliar surroundings might tempt you to give up. But hang in there -- things get better in time.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Decision time is near. Talk out your doubts with trusted advisers. If your misgivings still outweigh your enthusiasm, it's best to rethink the whole deal.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A situation has you puzzled. Be patient. The answers you seek will soon come from a source very close to the person at the center of your curiosity.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your usually active social life is in super-high gear through this week. Your hectic party-going pace eases into a period of quiet time by the weekend.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You need to start narrowing down those several new options that have come your way to just the two or three you really want to pursue.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It's a wise Water Bearer who nurtures a fading friendship back to vibrant health. At work, a once-shelved idea is suddenly being reconsidered.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might feel swamped by a flood of work-related obligations, but the support of a trusted associate helps you get through each one successfully.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are a caring person who often puts your own needs aside to help others. You have a gift for cultivating beautiful gardens.

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From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society By Connie Eshbach

For approximately 150 years, the Mattapoissett section of Rochester had eight or nine boatyards. With this many yards, we would assume that vessels were always built near the ocean, but some came to life in some strange places. One sloop was built in a yard near a home and launched into a creek at Godspeed's Island. Another schooner was built near Cushing Cemetery and had to be taken to the shore to be launched by Barstow's Wharf. During this time of active building, it is estimated that between 400-500 vessels were built. At least 275 workmen were employed.

This brings us to the last ship built in 1878, the Wanderer. The Wanderer was 116 ft. in length and weighed in at 300 ton with a 27 ft. beam length, and it drew 15 ft. below sea level. It was the last whaling vessel to sail out of New Bedford Harbor.

The Wanderer was a veteran ship that like most whalers was a 3 masted bark with a crew of about 30 men, many from towns such as Rochester. Like all whalers, it was a "factory ship" that processed oil on sight from captured whales. The Wanderer had a "case" or reservoir in the hold for the retrieved oil and large storage casks.

In her early days, the ship spent summers off the coast of Africa where there were plenty of whales: right sperm and humpback. At various intervals, they would put into a port. about every six months. They put into St. Helena where they would meet the Lottie Beard, a supply ship, from New Bedford, and they would get mail and packages from home. Winter whaling sometimes took place in the lower latitudes near Cape Horn. The weather there was most often cold, foggy and stormy and whales were scarce.

The type of whale captured made a difference in the success of a voyage. Humpback whales were swift movers and took more than one boat on a "Nantucket sleigh ride." They would also sink when they died, and sailors would have to tie them off on their boats and wait for the next day when they would float to the surface. The oil of the humpback was worth half of the oil from a sperm whale.

The Wanderer was known as a lucky ship with few serious accidents or fatalities. She was also a successful vessel. In her first four- year voyage, she returned home with 2,600 barrels of oil. In 1917, she

brought in 6,200 barrels, possibly a record in whaling history.

A small newspaper clipping in our files from The Star of November 27, 1909, reports that the whaling bark, Wanderer, was brought to Fairhaven to be hauled out on the city railway. "She had been started when a link in the big chain which hauls the carriage parted." The Wanderer slid into the river and was towed back to New Bedford.

The Wanderer plied the ocean from June 4, 1878 until Aug. 26, 1924, when she suffered an untimely fate. Readying for her final voyage, she was moored off Cuttyhunk when a hurricane dashed her on the rocks and the "wind and sea tore her apart".

BookRemarks

Greetings from Plumb Library and welcome to BookRemarks, our new monthly feature focusing on all things library related.

It's April and spring is finally here. Easter and flowers and sunshine and School Vacation Week. Do you have plans yet? We can help with that. Did you know the Library has Zoo and Museum Passes for seven locations in the area? By simply calling or emailing the Library and using your library card to make a date-specific reservation, you can visit any of the following: Buttonwood Park Zoo, Heritage Museum & Gardens (opening April 22), any Massachusetts State Park, the Museum of Fine Arts-- Boston, the Boston Museum of Science, the New Bedford Whaling Museum, or the Newport Art Museum. Most of these locations offer library users a discounted admission price, but there are a couple that are completely free. A limited-time admission voucher for the U.S.S. Constitution Museum is also available, and we will soon be adding the Trustees of Reservations pass to the line-up. Check our website, www.plumblibrary.com, for more information about the passes and the discounts associated with them.

If you anticipate making a visit to the Library part of your school vacation week plans, please remember that we will be closed on Monday April 17 for Patriot's Day. We will have regular hours for the remainder of that week. As always, your Library Staff, Kristen, Jen, Lisa and Bridget are here to help you find what you need. Feel free to call (508-763-8600) or email us (info@plumblibrary.com) with any questions. Better yet, come by and say hello.



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<p>TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #811</p> <p>The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6:30 pm on Thursday, April 27, 2023 in the conference room of the Marion Police Station, 550 Mill Street, on the application of Theodore S. Duncan, for a Special Permit under section 230-6.1(c) of the zoning by-law to allow for the replacement of a dwelling which will improve the existing non-conforming setbacks, and not increase the height more than 10 per cent.</p> <p>The property, located at 17A Pine Grove Lane, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 23 as Lot 20. Cynthia Callow, Chairperson 4/6, 4/13</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF REMOTE PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>An Open Hearing of the Rochester Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 7:00 pm at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School regarding a Notice of Intent filed by Matthew Bache for property located at 536 Snipatuit Road, Rochester, MA 02770, designated as Lot 3 on Rochester Assessors Map 41.</p> <p>The applicant is proposing to install a seasonal aluminum dock on Snipatuit Pond. The applicant's representative is G.A.F. Engineering, Inc., 266 Main Street, Wareham, MA 02571.</p> <p>This meeting is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection By-Law. Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83370862308 Meeting ID: 833 7086 2308 One tap mobile 1 646 876 9923 Christopher Gerrior, Chairman 4/6</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>An Open Meeting of the Rochester Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 7:00 pm at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School regarding a Request for Determination of Applicability filing by Daniel L. & Deborah C. Clark, for property located at 228 Mary's Pond Road, Rochester, MA 02770, Map 9, Lot 1.C.</p> <p>The applicant seeks to install a new leaching field with a portion of the field and 62 feet of effluent pipe located within the buffer zone to the wetlands. The existing septic tank is to remain and the existing leaching facility will be abandoned. All work within the buffer zone lies at least 80 feet from the wetlands.</p> <p>The applicant's representative is Charon Associates, Inc., 323 Neck Road, Rochester, MA 02770.</p> <p>This meeting is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection By-Law. Join Zoom Meeting</p>	<p>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83370862308 Meeting ID: 833 7086 2308 Or Call: 1 646 876 9923 Christopher Gerrior, Chairman 4/6</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing for the petition of Carl H. MacDermott III, for property located at 128 Dexter Lane, identified on Assessor's Map 6, Lot 11E, who is seeking the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Petition #1190 for a Special Permit for the approval of the conversion of the basement into an additional dwelling unit, under Chapter 20.40, Section F.9. • Petition #1191 for a Variance for minimum required lot area of 105,000 sq. ft. and a Variance for minimum required lot frontage of 300 ft, under Chapter 20.40, Section E.16. <p>The public hearing will be on April 27, 2023 at 7:00 pm as a hybrid meeting at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA and also on Zoom.</p> <p>Copies of the application are on file at the Building Department, 37 Marion Rd. and can be viewed during normal business hours Monday through Friday. To join the Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83988700485 Meeting ID: 839 8870 0485 One tap mobile: (646) 876-9923 David Arancio, Chairman 4/6, 4/13</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following Applications and Petitions. ALL meetings held in the Mattapoisett Town Hall Conference room; 16 Main Street (unless otherwise noted) New format of meetings; start time is 6:00 pm **THIS MEETING WILL BE IN PERSON ON April 20, 2023**</p> <p>Case #1514: Application of: Andrew Perkins, 308 Converse Road, Marion, MA 02738; RE:10 Pinehurst Avenue. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit, as provided by Article 6., Table 6.5 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to construct a new 12X24 addition. The property is further described as Plot 14A, Lot 124 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held on Thursday, April 20, 2023.</p> <p>Case #1515: Application of: Chase Wingate, 42 River Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739; RE:42 River Road. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit, as provided by Article 5., Section 5.1.5.4.3 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to construct a Family Related Apartment. The property is further described as Plot 17, Lot 73 on the assessor's map. The hearing will be held on Thursday April 20, 2023.</p> <p>Case #1516: Application of: Mark T. & Kelly E. Hall, 16 Brownfield Drive, Bridgewater, MA 02324; RE:0 Laurel Street. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit, as provided by Article 6.2.2., of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to construct a Single-Family Home. The property is further described as Plot 5A, Lot 34 on</p>	<p>the assessor's map. The hearing will be held on Thursday April 20, 2023.</p> <p>Case #1517: Application and Petition of: David Halle, 37 Mast Hill Road, Hingham, MA 02043; RE:23 Grand View Avenue. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit, as provided by Article 3, Section 3.2.2 and a Variance as provided by Article 6, Table 6.5., of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to construct a 28X32 Detached garage. The property is further described as Plot 15B, Lot 78&80 on the assessor's map. The hearing will be held on Thursday April 20, 2023.</p> <p>Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours. Sincerely, Susan Akin, Chairperson Kenneth Pacheco, Colby Rottler, Anthony Tranfaglia, Jordan Rodrigues 4/6, 4/13</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION</p> <p>The Town of Mattapoisett will hold a public information session on April 12, 2023 at 5:30 pm, at the Fire Station, 62 County Road, regarding Phase 2A of the Bike Path project. There will be a presentation on data collection and potential routes as well as an opportunity for public comments.</p> <p>Persons interested in providing input should attend on April 12, 2023, at which time they may ask questions and provide comments. Anyone unable to attend may submit written comments to the Town Administrator's Office. 4/6</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 24, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by Stephen Cook Family Realty Trust. The meeting will or may also be a hybrid meeting. Please contact the Conservation Commission for the Zoom information.</p> <p>The Applicant proposes to upgrade a Cesspool with a Title 5 Septic System, to install a shed, to construct a deck and driveway and to fill and grade.</p> <p>The proposed work will be performed within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone AE (E1. 16) & partially within the 100 ft. buffer zone of an offsite Bordering Vegetated Wetland located across the street of Aucoot Road.</p> <p>The property is known as 7 Holly Street and is further identified as Lots #164 & #166 on Assessors Map #4. 4/6</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>The Town of Marion, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids for a Paving Materials Bid Contract No. 2023-1. There are two possible option year extensions.</p> <p>MassDOT Prequalification is required and Prevailing Wage Laws apply to this bid. Bids subject to MGL c.30 §39M and minimum wage rates per MGL c.149 §§26 to 27H inclusive. Bid documents & plans available</p>

Feathers and Fins

Come to the Mattapoisett Free Public Library to view local artist Wendy Goldsmith's pottery exhibit, "Feathers and Fins" between **April 15 and May 14**. Most of the pieces incorporate birds or fish in their design. Goldsmith has created art all her life. Making ceramics for 30 years. Goldsmith has learned that working in clay involves many art forms such as designing, painting and sculpting. There is always more to learn, different materials to explore and the unexpected happens, making it fun and exciting. Crafting a piece of pottery starts with an idea, then a drawing, and many different processes are employed. Sometimes Goldsmith creates transfers, sometimes she paints directly with underglazes. All of her work is hand-built and food-safe. She is inspired by the shapes and personalities of the piece which dictates what appears on the surface such as birds, flowers and fish. Goldsmith wants her art to be a part of everyday life. The ceramic piece should be something to hold, pour from, drink from and be a beautiful way to serve favorite foods. She includes little surprises the owner finds when a butter dish is opened or an extra decoration is at the bottom of the cups or a soap dish – all bringing a smile to the owner's face. Goldsmith earned a BFA in printmaking and Masters in Art Teaching from UMass Amherst, but also took ceramics classes. Goldsmith then went to clay, but still uses printmaking techniques in her process. She has taken many workshops at the Haystack Mountain School of Crafts and the Castle Hill Art Center. She has participated in the Art Drive Studio Tour for many years as well as exhibited in various regional shows. One of her ceramic pieces was exhibited in the Boston MFA "Art in Bloom" exhibit.

The exhibit is free, and the library is accessible to all.

Mattapoisett Woman's Club Tag Sale

In these days of minimal spending, who doesn't like finding a really good bargain?

If you're a bargain hunter, come see us to find your treasure at the Mattapoisett Woman's Club's Tag Sale on Saturday, **May 6**. We'll be in the parking lot between the Ying Dynasty and Harriet's at 22 County Road (Route 6) in Mattapoisett with all the treasures we've collected for the sale.

The MWC's Tag Sale will start promptly at 9:00

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am, no early birds, please, and will run until 12:00 noon. If it rains, we'll be in the same spot at the same times, the next day on Sunday, May 7. Cash and/or checks only will be accepted as payment for all the good stuff you find.

All proceeds from the Tag Sale benefit the Mattapoisett Woman's Club's Scholarship Fund. For more information about this event, the Woman's Club or the MWC's Scholarship Fund, check the Club's website at mattapoisettwomansclub.org.

FoMCOA Easter Bake Sale

The Friends of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging will be holding an Easter Bake Sale on Saturday, **April 8**, from 9 am to noon. The sale is taking place at the Mattapoisett Knights of Columbus Hall located at 57 Fairhaven Road.

Come purchase some special homemade goodies for the Holiday. Any food donations are appreciated (such as pies, cakes, cupcakes, cookies and homemade breads.)

If you're interested in supporting this event with baked goods, please contact Denise at 617-957-2278. Hoping to see you there.

Boating Safety Classes

Marion Harbormaster's Office will be hosting two Boating Safety Classes in April and May. The classes are held at the Marion Police Station 8 hours on Saturday and 4 hours on Sunday.

The classes are as follows:

April 22, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm and **April 23**, 8:00 am - 12:00

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<p>4/6/2023 at 9:00AM at https://theengineeringcorp.com/bids/</p> <p>Bids due 4/27/2023 at 2:00 pm to the Board of Selectmen at the Marion Town House – Board of Selectman's Office, 2 Spring Street, Marion, Massachusetts 02738 and publicly read aloud immediately after at 2:30 pm, at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, Marion Massachusetts 02738. 4/6</p> <p>-----</p> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT SCHOOL COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Pursuant to Chapter 76, Section 12B of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a Public Hearing of the</p>	<p>Mattapoisett School Committee regarding school choice for the 2023-2024 school year at 5:00 pm, on Thursday, April 13, 2023. This meeting will be held at the Center School located at 16 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. This meeting will be conducted in a hybrid format. Public is able to attend in person or via zoom. https://oldrochester-org.zoom.us/j/91757616017?pwd=ZEVok1NReDlPVG1WZ1NBanVlQzlyQT09 Meeting ID: 917 5761 6017 Passcode: 451497</p> <p>If you need additional login information, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 508-758-2772 ext. 1956. 4/6</p> <p>-----</p>	<p>TOWN OF MARION SELECT BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Marion Select Board will hold a public hearing at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, Marion, on Monday, May 22, 2023 at 6:00 pm to review the final draft of the Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (CWMP). The final draft Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan is available for review on the Select Board page on www.marionma.gov. For more information please contact Donna Hemphill at 508-748-3520 or dhemphill@marionma.gov. Randy L. Parker, Chair 4/6</p> <p>-----</p>

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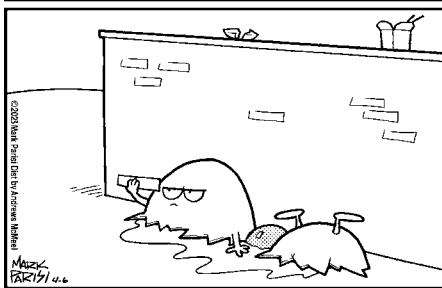
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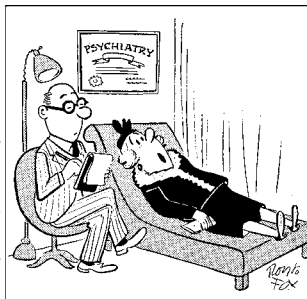
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The COA Book Group will meet at the Rochester Council on Aging on Tuesday, **April 18** at 1:00 pm. We will be discussing *The Maid* by Nita Prose. The next book will be *This Time Tomorrow* by Emma Straub and copies will be available at the meeting to borrow. Please bring your library card.

Books & Babble Book Club will meet Thursday, **April 27** at 6:30 pm to discuss *The Second-Worst Restaurant in France* by Alexander McCall Smith. Copies are available for checkout at the front desk.

All are invited to an Earth Day Family Story and Activity Hour with Rochester residents Sydney Teixeira and Kate Duggan. They will read two Earth Day themed books, lead a craft and provide resources for ways everyone can enjoy our local natural environment and help our Earth thrive. Please visit the library's Events Calendar to register.

I am Autistic, I am Fantastic - The Musical is being presented by the MUSIC Dance.edu youth performing arts company on Tuesday, **April 18** from 2:00 - 3:00 pm. This program is brought to you by a grant from the Rochester Cultural Council, a local agency, funded by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency. Using musical instruments, creative movement, poetry and problem solving activities, this presentation will inspire, uplift and educate autistic children, families and the community at-large. The musical selections in this presentation are inspirational and include contemporary jazz songs, 70's music, soft rock, hip hop and selections from popular Broadway musicals. The presentation is about an hour and includes a 10-minute intermission. Registration is not required.



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John Edgerton Ruggles	April 8
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Matt Gamache	April 8
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Susie Lima	April 9
Tangi Thomas	April 9
Brandon Marvelle	April 10
Cindy Johnson	April 10
Gladys Ann Varieur	April 10
Marley Perry	April 10
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Andrew Jacques	April 11
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Eileen Newell	April 11
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We will be closing at 2:00 pm on Friday, **April 7** and open our normal hours from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm on Saturday, **April 8**. We will be closed Monday, **April 17** for Patriots' Day. For more information, please follow us on Facebook, email us at info@plumblibrary.com, or call the library at 508-763-8600.

Rochester Historical Society

A lot is on the calendar for the Rochester Historical Society in the upcoming months.

April 19's meeting is Rochester's Past Celebrations 7:00 at the museum 355 County Rd.

May 7 at 2:00 in front of Town Hall, we will join with the Rochester Historical Commission to dedicate our new Revolutionary War Memorial

May 17, Nettie Hopkins will be talking Bees 7:00 at the Museum

June 11 at 1:00 we will be touring the Center Cemetery to explore what we didn't get to last year

June 21, Charles Rowley will be presenting "Mapping Rochester" again 7:00 at the Museum

This is just a quick look at what will be happening this year with more to come.

SouthCoast Spring Arts at the MAC

SouthCoast Spring Arts returns to the Marion Art Center (the MAC) with seven events during the regional festival scheduled **May 5-14**. SouthCoast Spring Arts is a 10-day event celebrating the arts in our communities by connecting innovative, creative and affordable art and cultural events in communities across the region, from Fall River to Wareham. Spring Arts events at the MAC are hands-on, interactive and are offered at low cost or for

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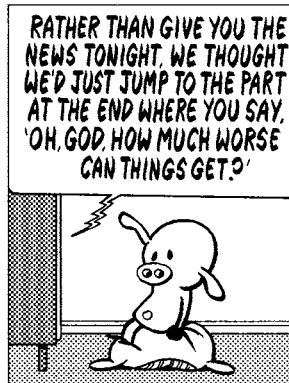
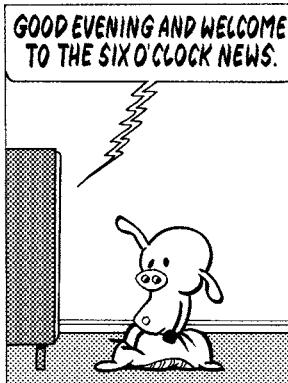
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For Mattapoisett
Volunteers Urgently Needed

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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE
by Stephan Pastis



will move to the MAC studio. The cost is \$30 per person and includes all materials and wine tasting. Register at marionartcenter.org/events.

See a film screening in the MAC's Anne Braitmayer Webb Theater. The Sippican Historical Society will present Frederick Wiseman's film *EX LIBRIS* – The New York Public Library on Saturday, **May 6**, 3:00-6:30 pm at the MAC. *EX LIBRIS* goes behind the scenes of one of the greatest knowledge institutions in the world and reveals it as a place of welcome, cultural exchange and learning. With 92 locations throughout Manhattan, the Bronx and Staten Island, the library is committed to being a resource for all the inhabitants of this multifaceted and cosmopolitan city, and beyond. During intermission, learn more about our local institution, the Elizabeth Taber Library, presented in the context of the traditional and modern roles of libraries as discussed in the film. Guests may bring their own snacks or beverages to enjoy, and popcorn will be provided by the MAC. Total runtime of film: 197 minutes. This event is free, but registration is required.

Take a Tap Dancing Workshop for adults (ages 15+ also welcome) with MAC Dance Academy's program leader Teah Keogh on Thursday, **May 11** from 6:00-7:30 pm. This workshop is for adults who need to tap out of "adulthood". Want more happiness and bit less seriousness added to your week? This one-hour tap class provides percussive playtime for adults (and teens ages 15 and up) that "taps" into our inner courage, creativity and strengthens our physical and mental health. This basic level beginner tap class is geared toward those who have had little or no tap training, but will also be fun for anyone who has worn tap shoes before. Light refreshments will be served after the session, and participants will have a chance to mix and mingle. Registrants may bring their own shoes or borrow a previously loved pair from the MAC. Comfortable clothing recommended. The cost is \$20 per person, with a capacity of 15 people.

Head to the MAC on Friday, **May 12** from 5:00-7:00 pm for the opening reception of our new exhibit featuring paintings by Anne Carrozza Remick and Stephen Remick. See Anne Remick's still life paintings which celebrate the beauty found in "the solitude of simple objects" through her use of expressive color and unexpected composition. Paintings by Stephen Remick include landscapes, plein air paintings, and some figurative works that capture the "backyard and beyond." Anne and Steve both graduated from Swain School of Design and currently live together in Dartmouth. The show runs **May 12-June 24**. Guests will have the opportunity to meet the artists and ask questions.



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The reception is free and open to the public.

See an original play presented by the MAC Theater Playwrights Incubator (MTPI), *An Hour with Eleanor* on Saturday, **May 13** from 3:00-4:30 pm. MTPI is pleased to present a new play by first time playwright Cynthia Krause. Krause was selected for the inaugural year of the MTPI program for her short play, a one-woman performance titled *An Hour with Eleanor*. It is a fictional telling of the life of Eleanor Roosevelt, based on historical events. The play explores a life of joys and sorrows experienced by this controversial political figure who, along with being the wife of an American president, was a catalyst for social change in her own right. Audience members follow her life's journey working toward the betterment of her world. Mentors for the first year of the MTPI program include Maura Van Voris and Richard Van Voris. The play is directed by Richard Van Voris and features Linda Monchik as Eleanor Roosevelt. Guests will enjoy this debut tea time performance followed by an informal discussion with the director, actor, and playwright, plus light refreshments. The cost to attend is \$8 per person.

Attend a Prohibition Party (BYOB) with Buttonwood Brass on Saturday, **May 13** from 6:30-9:00 pm. Put together your 1920's attire and bring your favorite "bootleg" beverage of choice. Enjoy the MAC's speakeasy-cabaret atmosphere in the MAC Theater and galleries while listening to Buttonwood Brass, a versatile ensemble performing Jazz Standards, Classical, New Orleans, Roaring Twenties and the Great American Songbook from the Prohibition Era. Guests are encouraged to dress the part. Light snacks will be provided by the MAC. The cost to attend is \$15 per person. Learn more and register for events at marionartcenter.org/events.

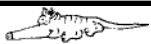
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Westerlind, Kevin David Westerlind, Sheila	Vedev LLC	9 Chapel Rd	Mattapoisett	03/20/2023	705,000.00



Local Tides

Day	Date	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	April 6	8:51	9:10	2:36	2:35
Friday	April 7	9:29	9:48	3:14	3:08
Saturday	April 8	10:11	10:29	3:51	3:42
Sunday	April 9	10:56	11:16	4:28	4:19
Monday	April 10	11:47		5:08	5
Tuesday	April 11	12:08	12:43	5:54	5:48
Wednesday	April 12	1:07	1:42	6:53	6:48
Thursday	April 13	2:09	2:44	8:29	8:09
Friday	April 14	3:14	3:49	10:17	9:54
Saturday	April 15	4:23	4:56	11:14	11:19
Sunday	April 16	5:29	5:58	11:57	
Monday	April 17	6:27	6:53	12:18	12:33
Tuesday	April 18	7:19	7:42	1:09	1:08
Wednesday	April 19	8:06	8:29	1:57	1:43
Thursday	April 20	8:52	9:14	2:43	2:20
Friday	April 21	9:38	9:58	3:26	2:59
Saturday	April 22	10:23	10:43	4:04	3:38
Sunday	April 23	11:10	11:29	4:40	4:18

Phases	Full Moon	April 6th
of the	Last Quarter	April 13th
Moon	New Moon	April 20th
	First Quarter	April 27th



I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

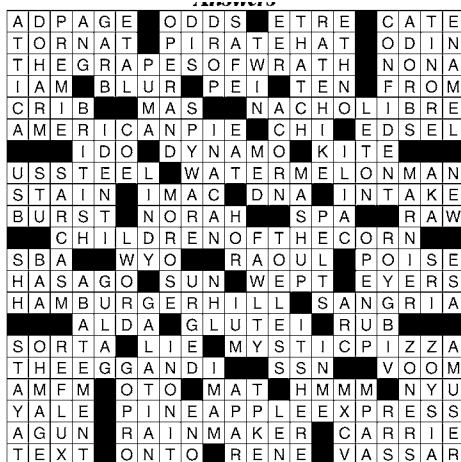
Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer on line and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on *I Found the Aardvark*

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PUZZLE ANSWERS

CROSSWORD SOLUTION



SCRAMBLERS

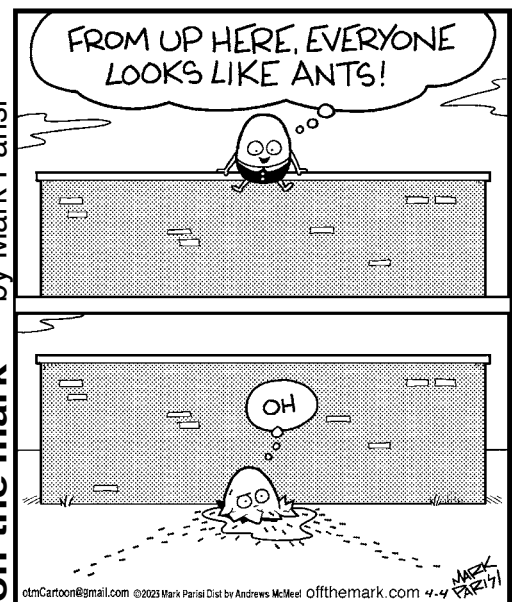
solution

1. Wager 2. Almost;
3. Snub; 4. Recant

Today's Word
ARGUMENTS

Sudoku Answer

7	9	1	2	8	4	3	6	5
8	6	2	3	1	5	7	4	9
3	5	4	7	6	9	1	2	8
6	1	9	4	7	2	8	5	3
2	3	8	9	5	6	4	1	7
5	4	7	1	3	8	2	9	6
4	8	6	5	2	3	9	7	1
1	2	5	8	9	7	6	3	4
9	7	3	6	4	1	5	8	2

by Mark Parisi
off the mark



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Chips Ahoy! Cookies..... **\$3.99**
Stonyfield
32 oz. Selected (Excludes Greek)
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